

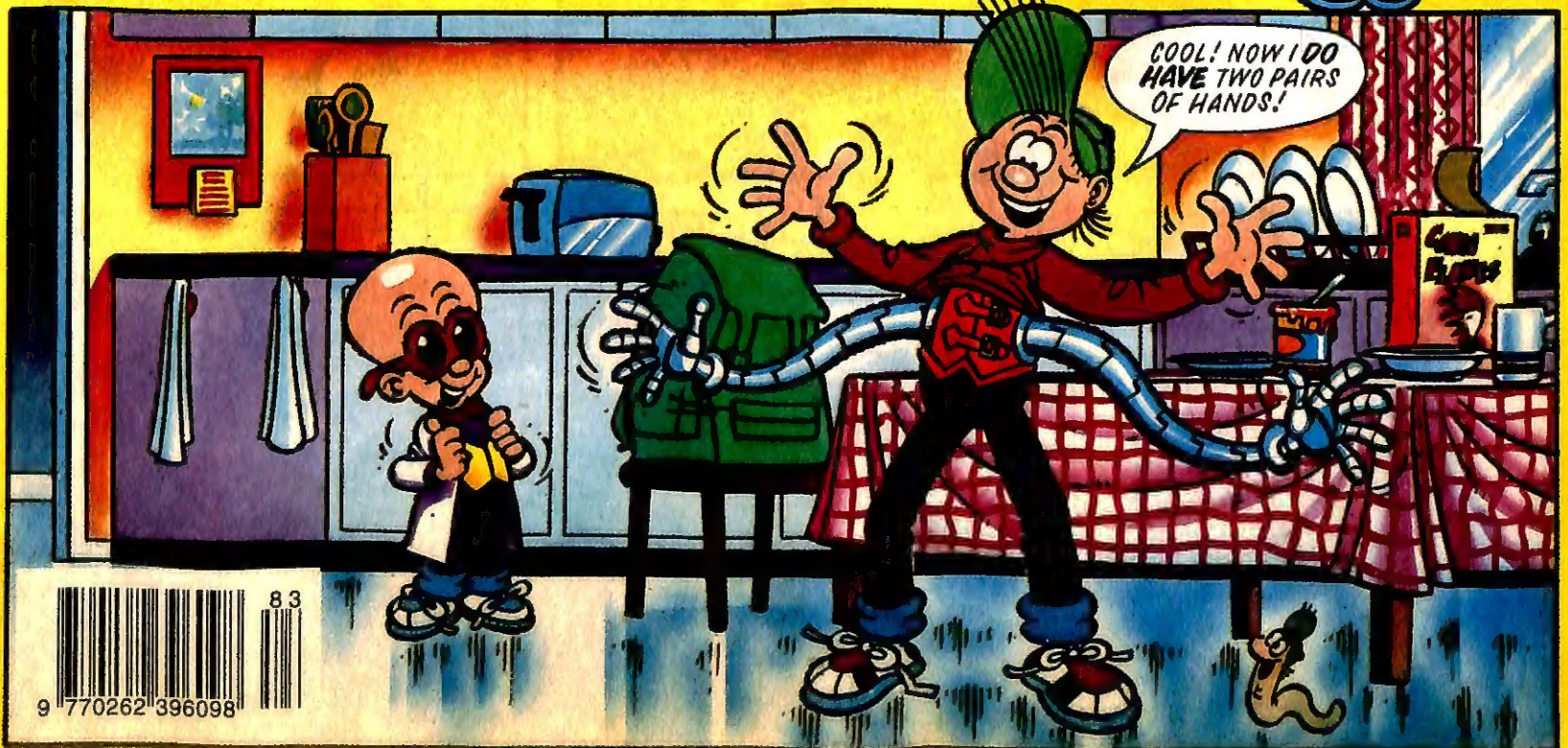
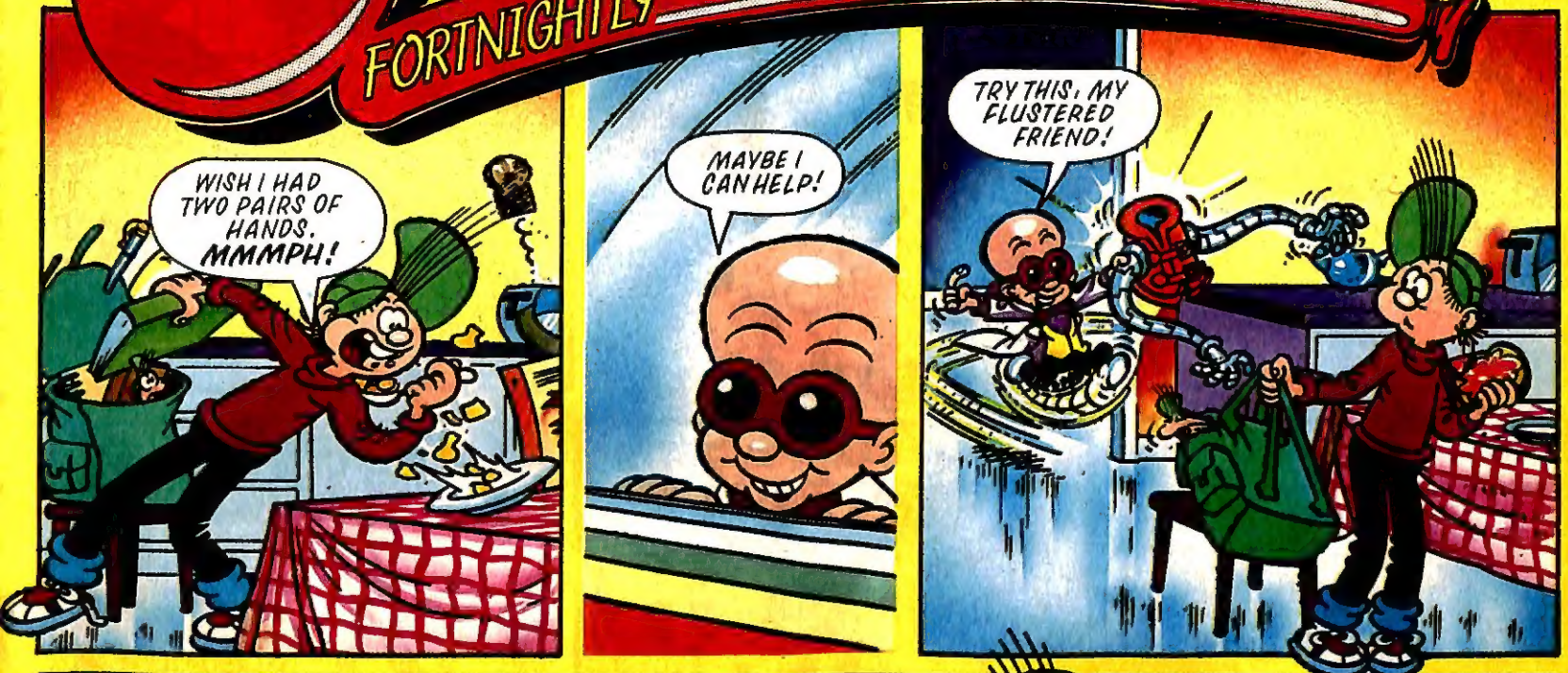
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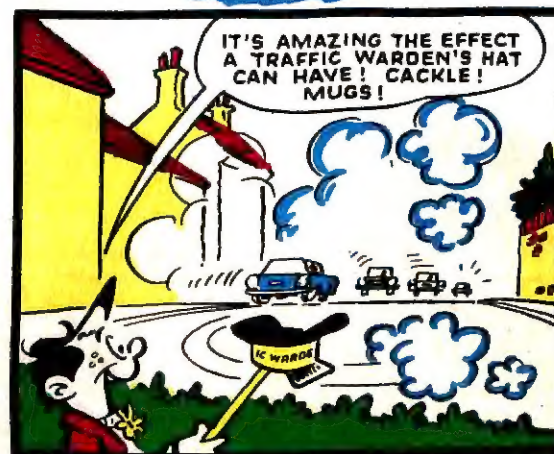
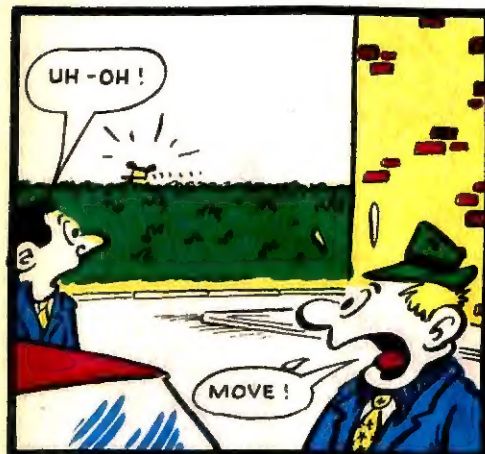
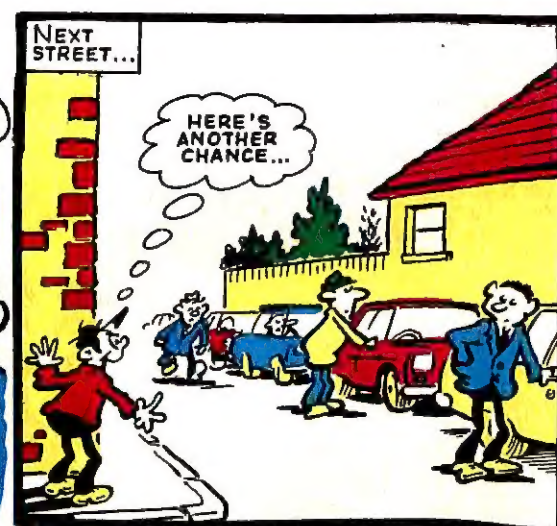
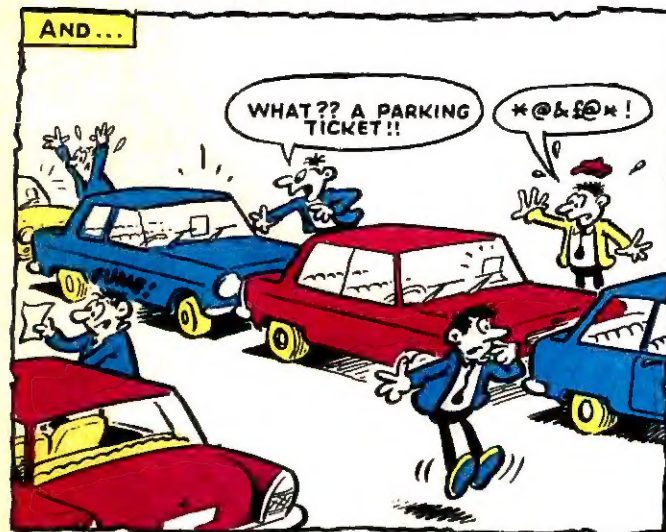
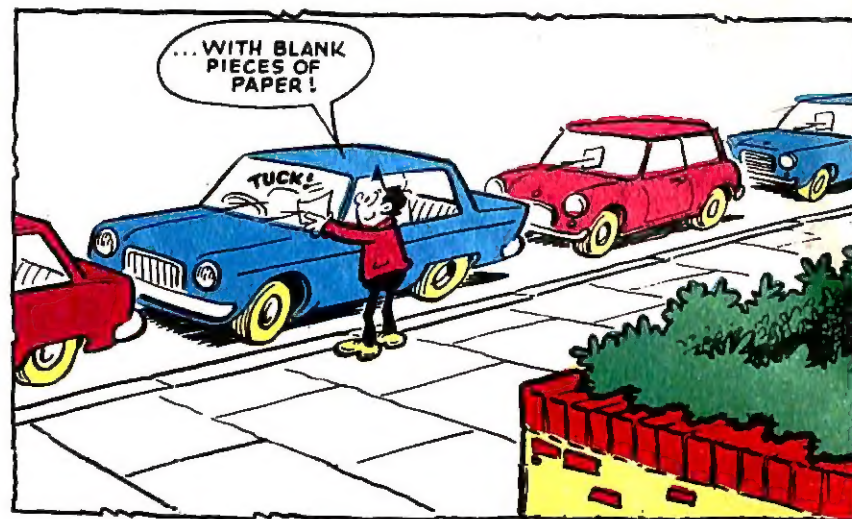
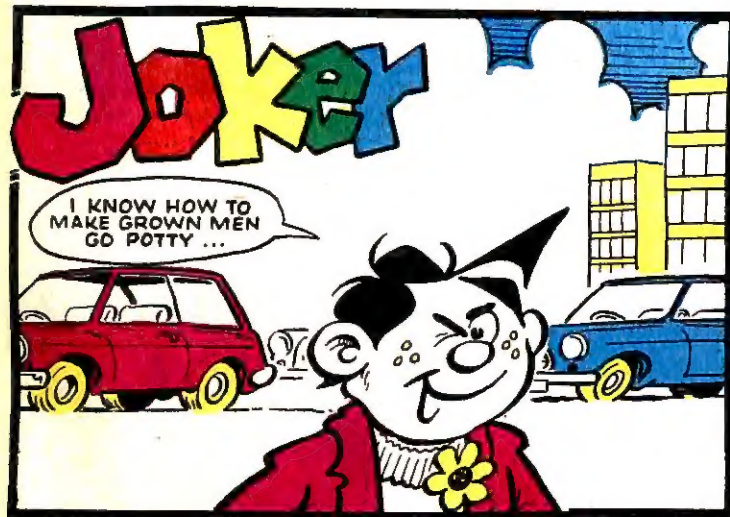
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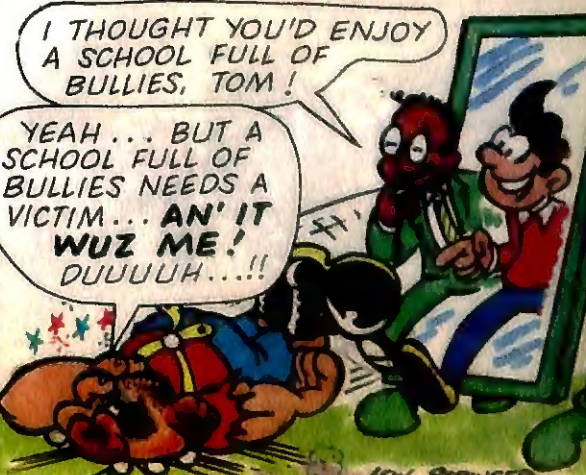
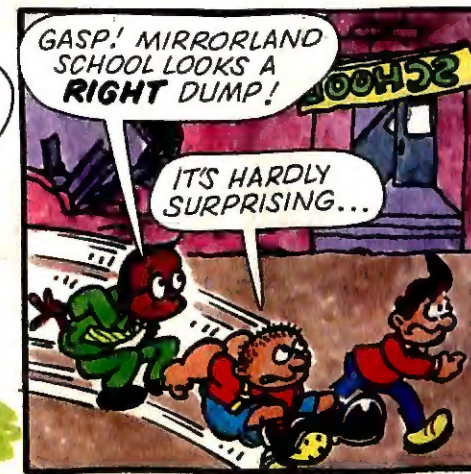
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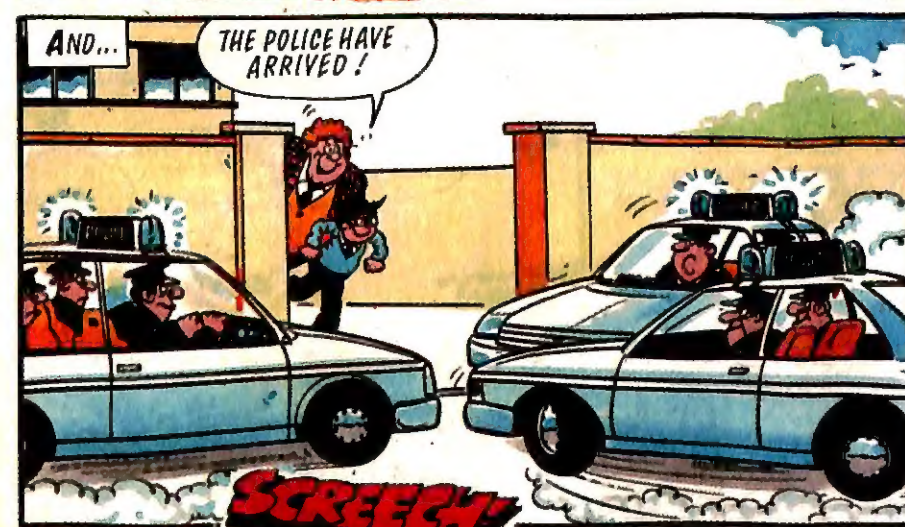
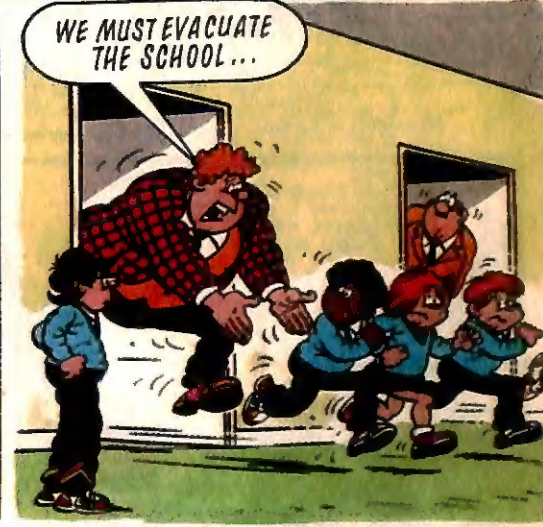
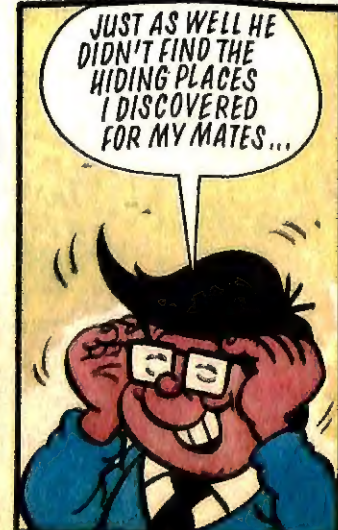
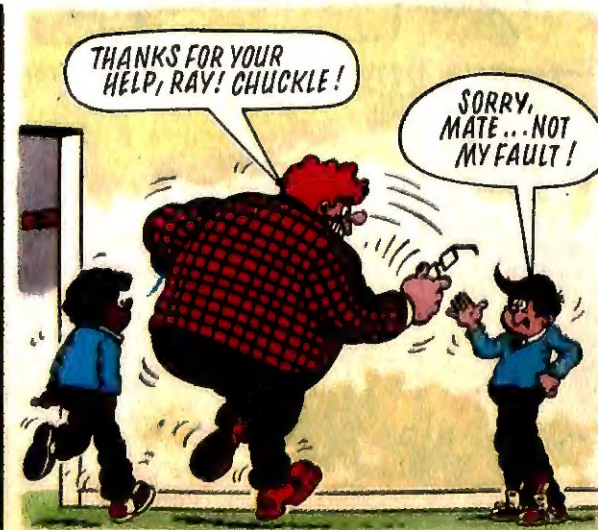
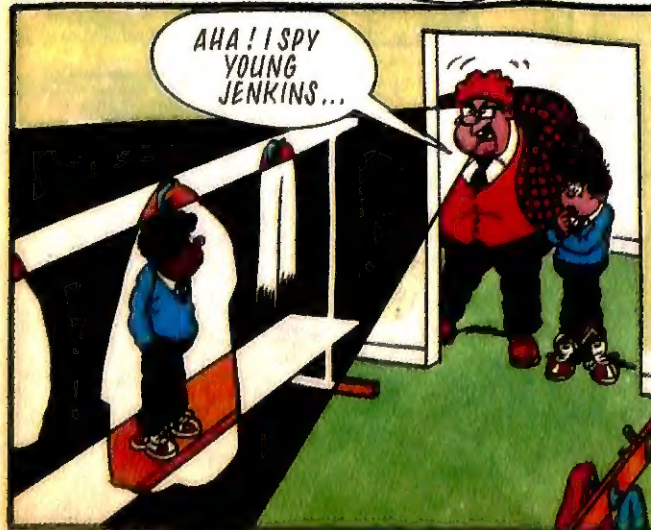
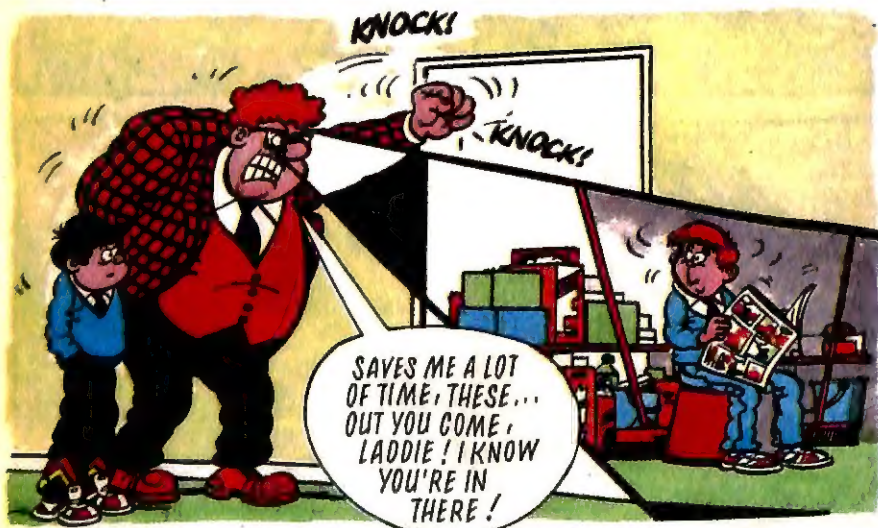
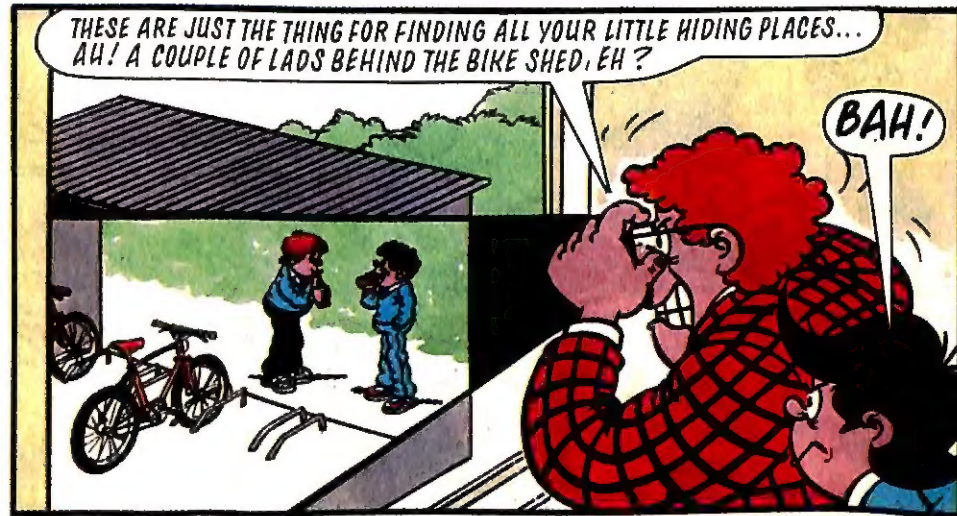
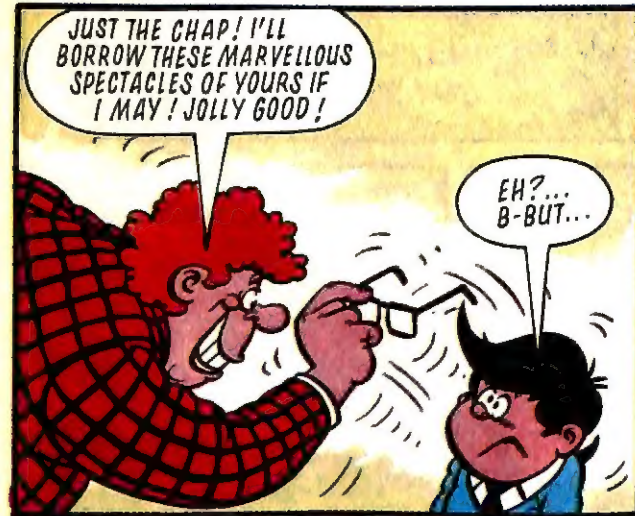
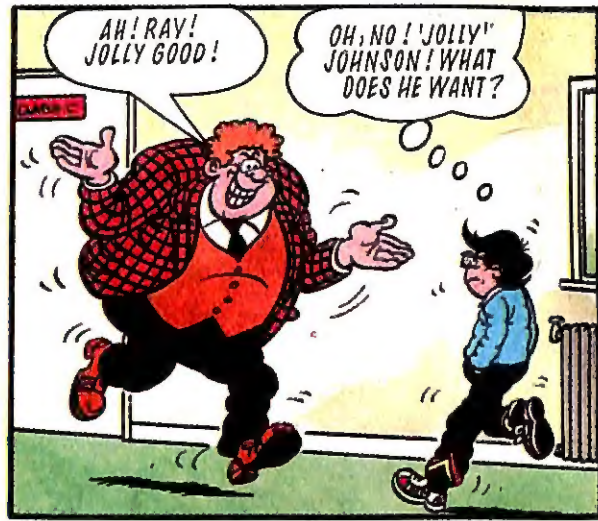




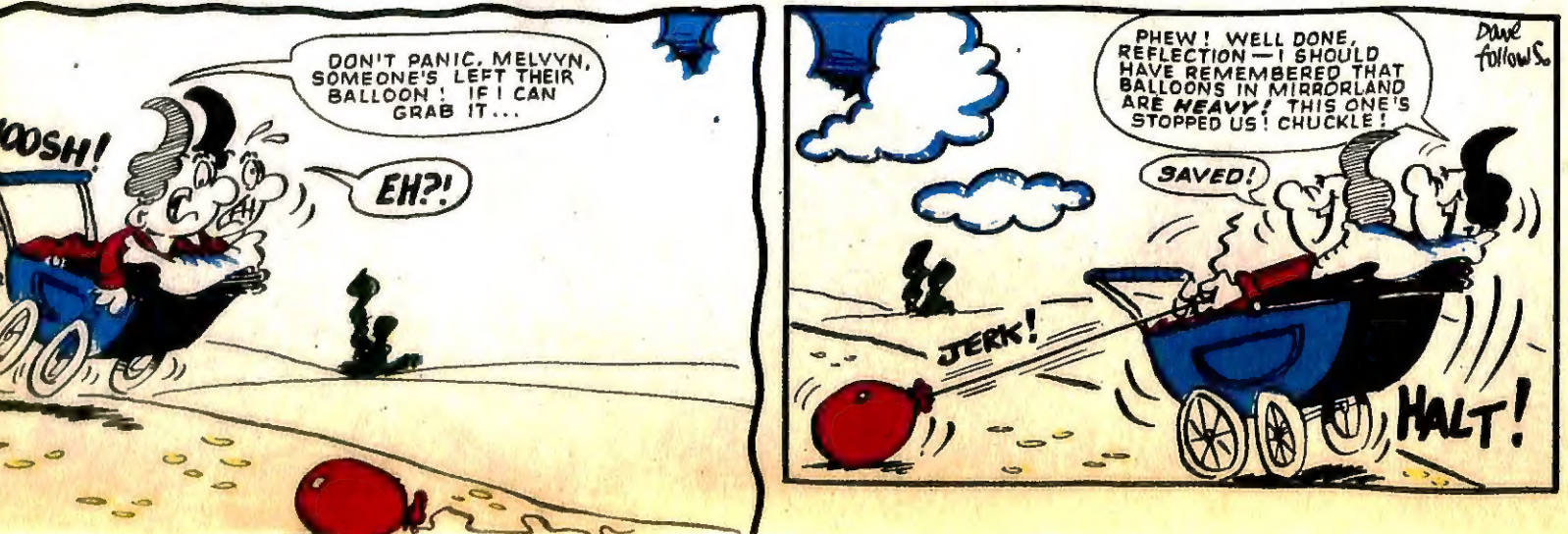
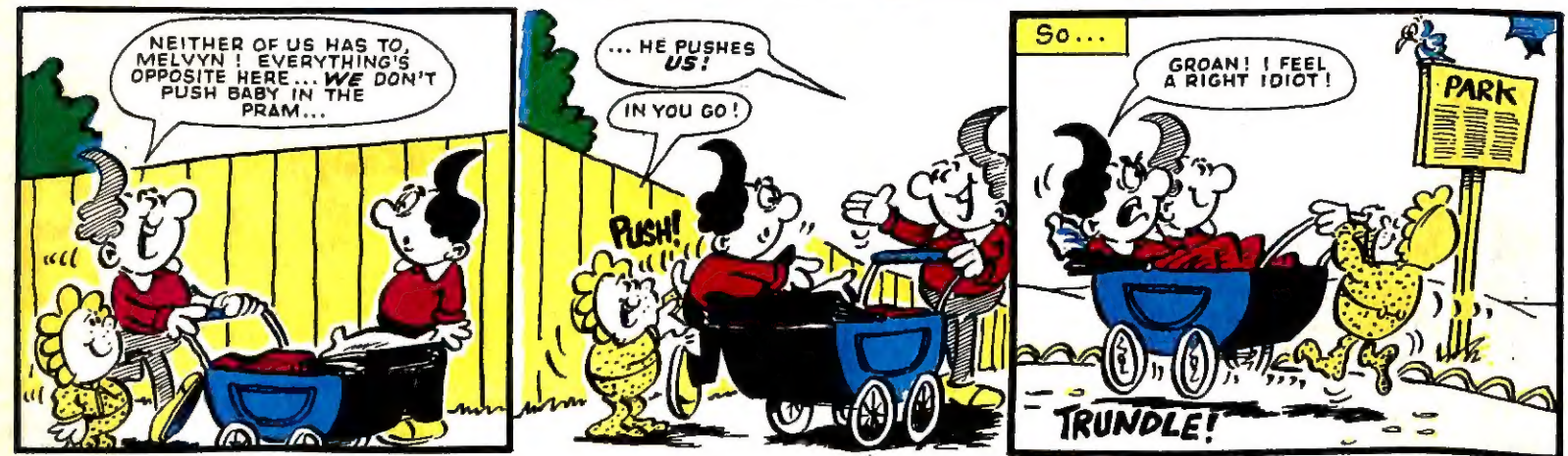
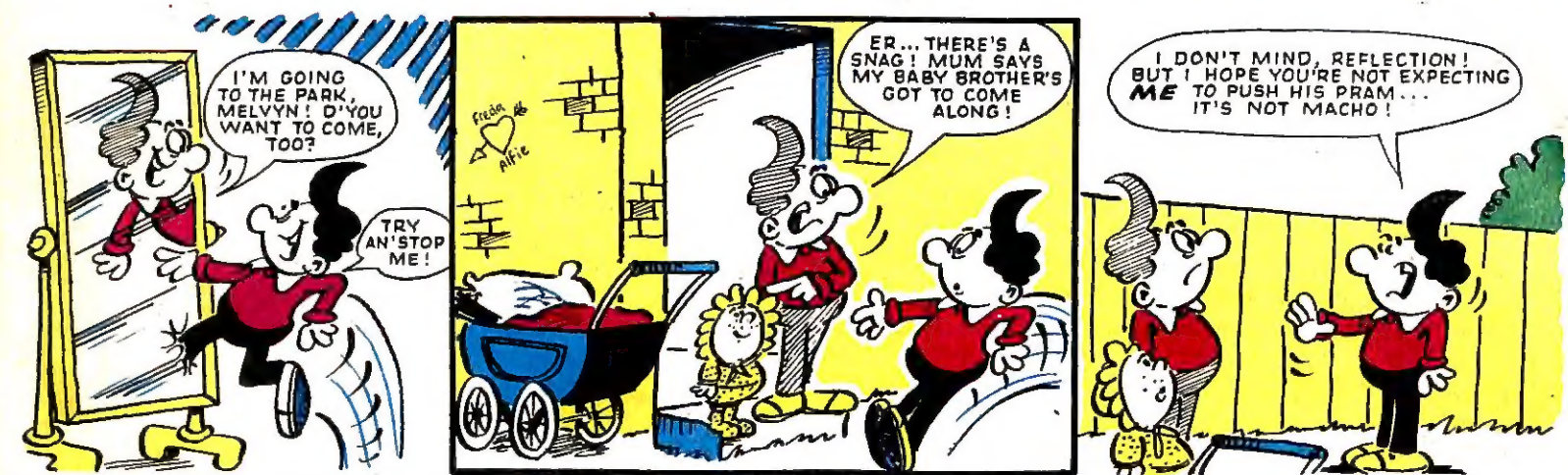
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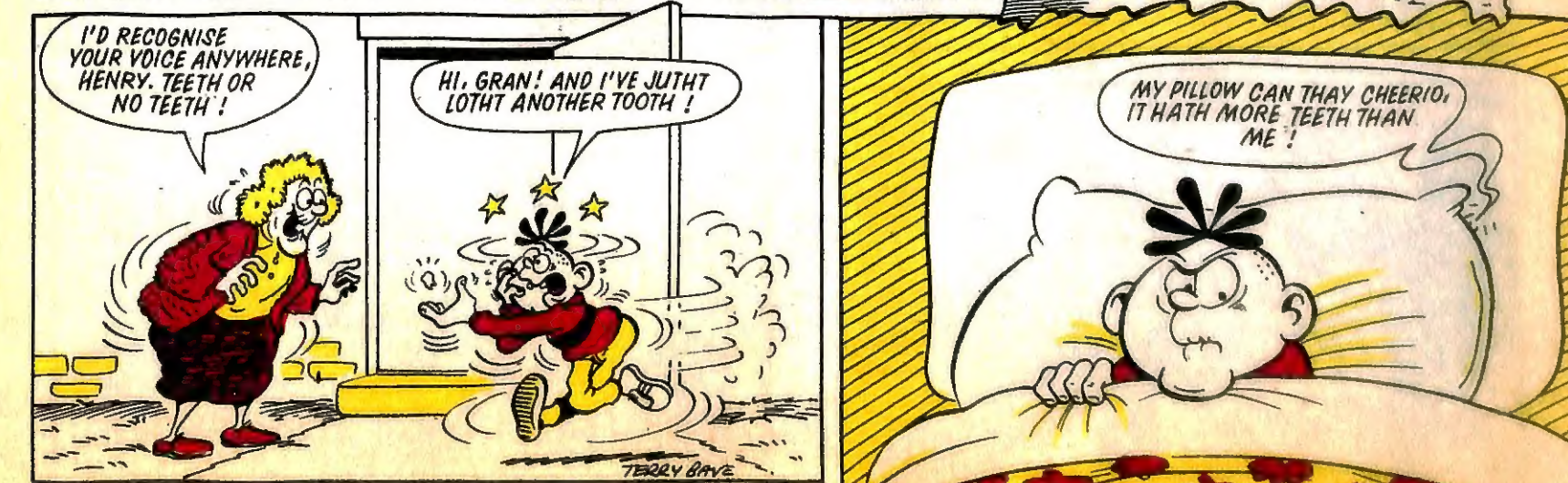
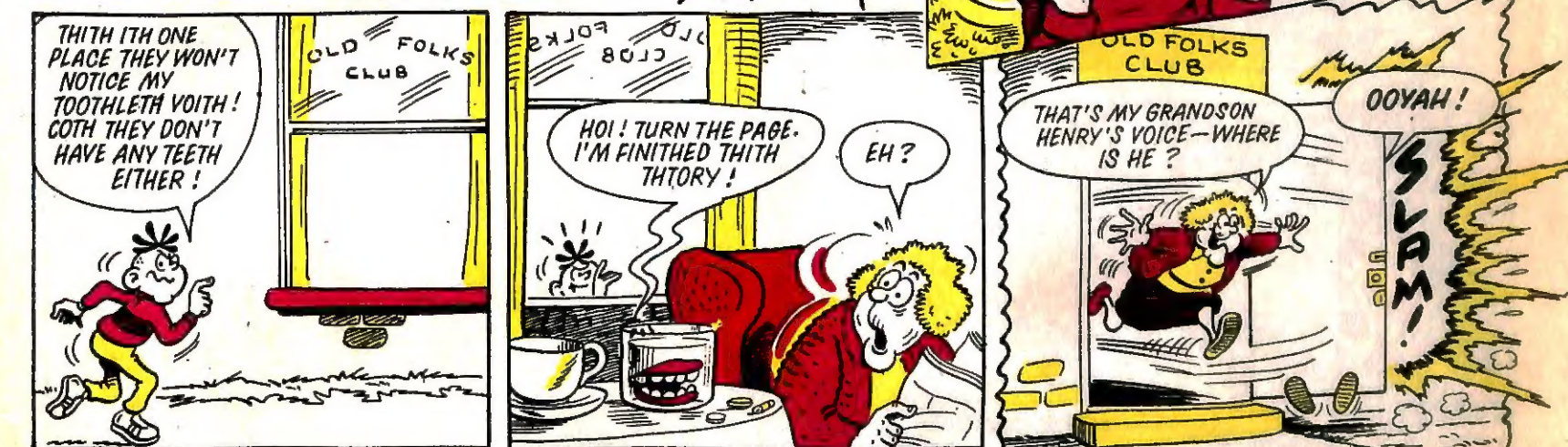
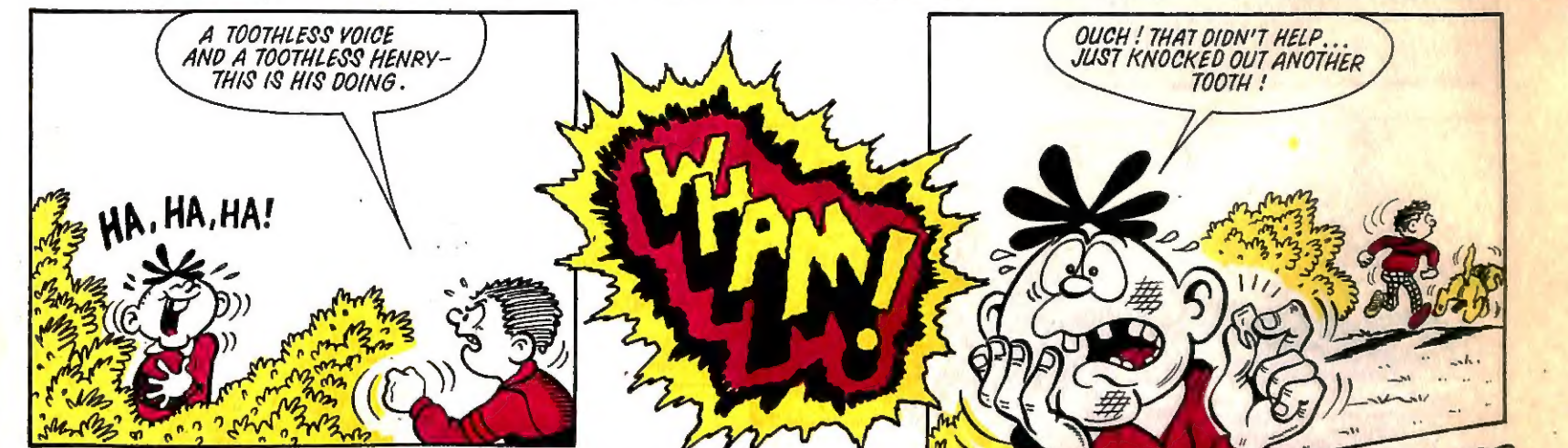
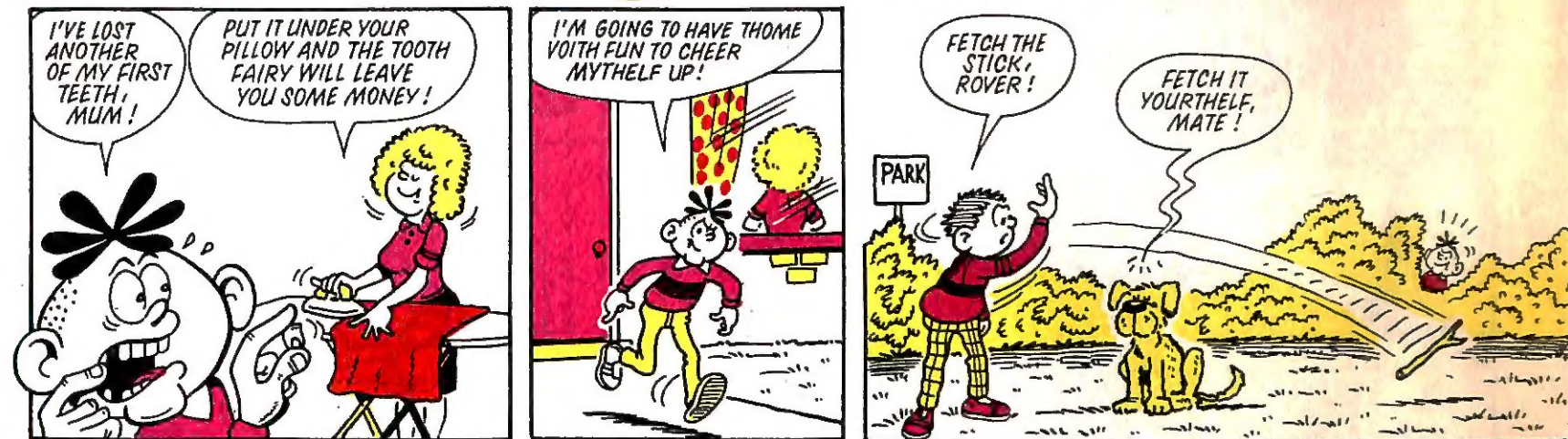
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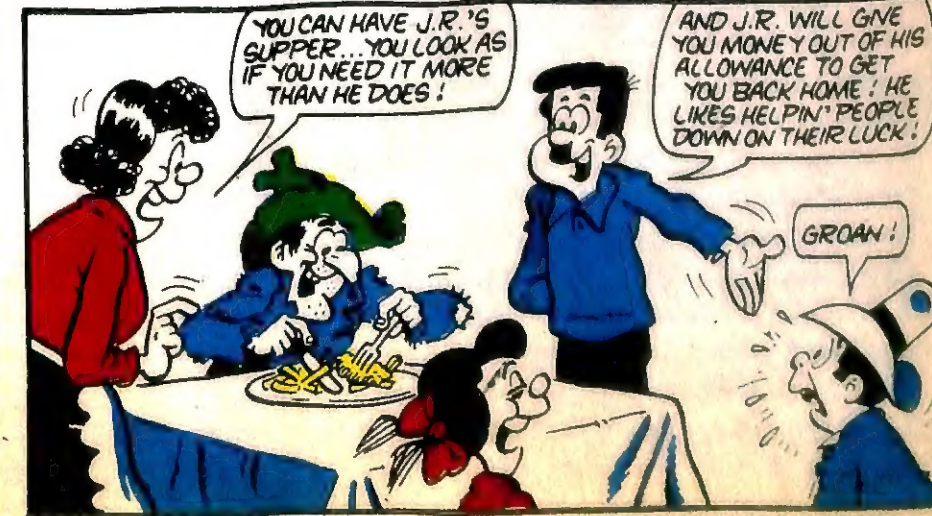
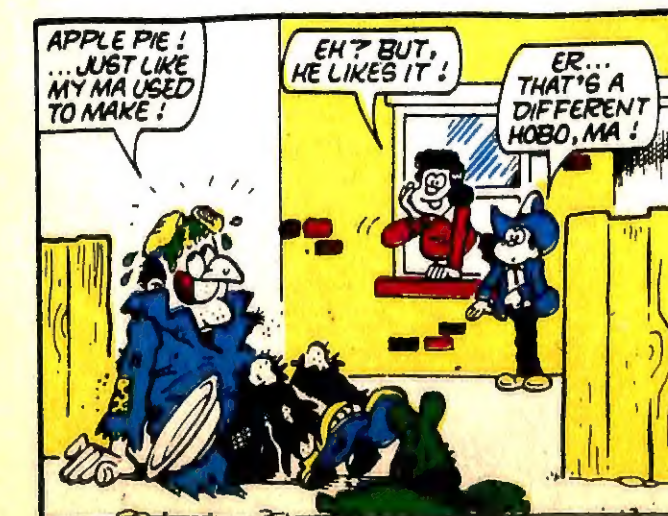
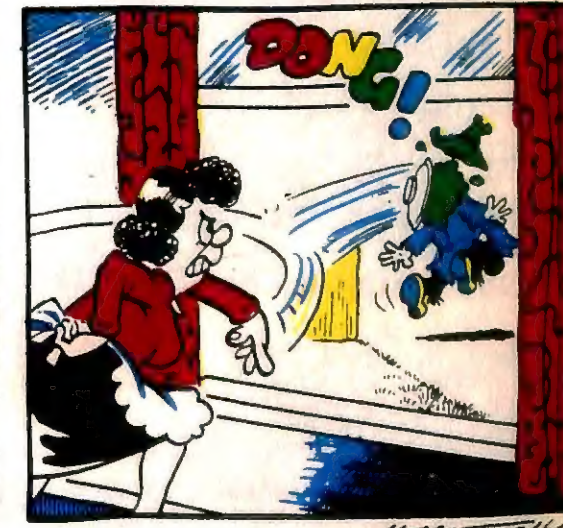
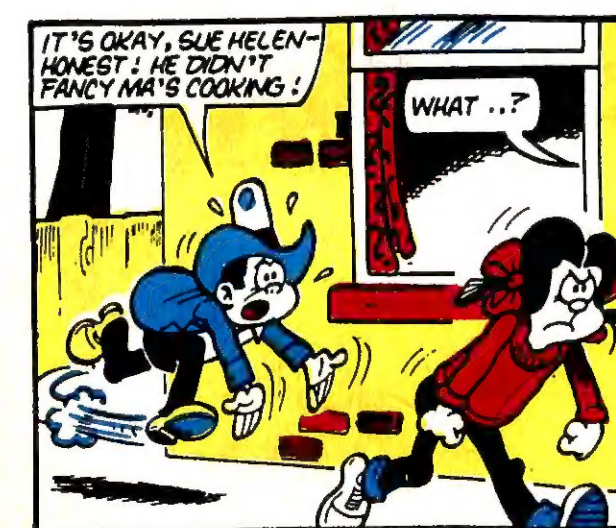
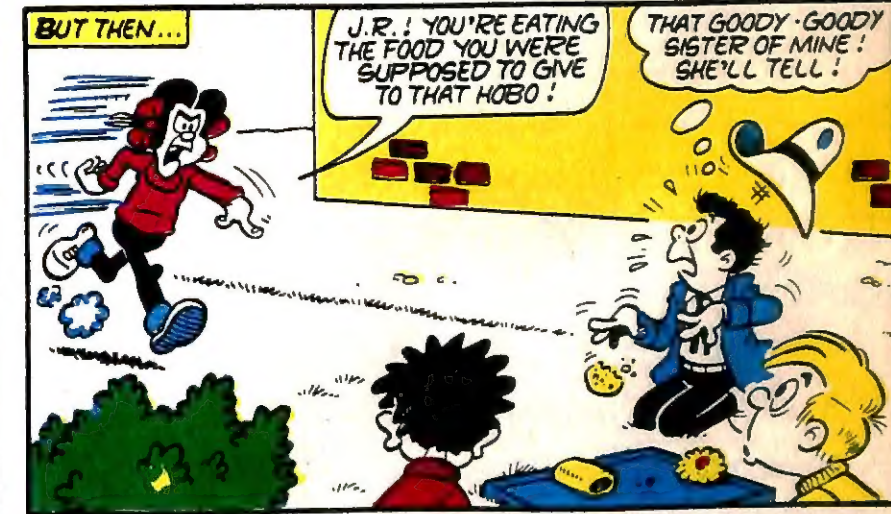
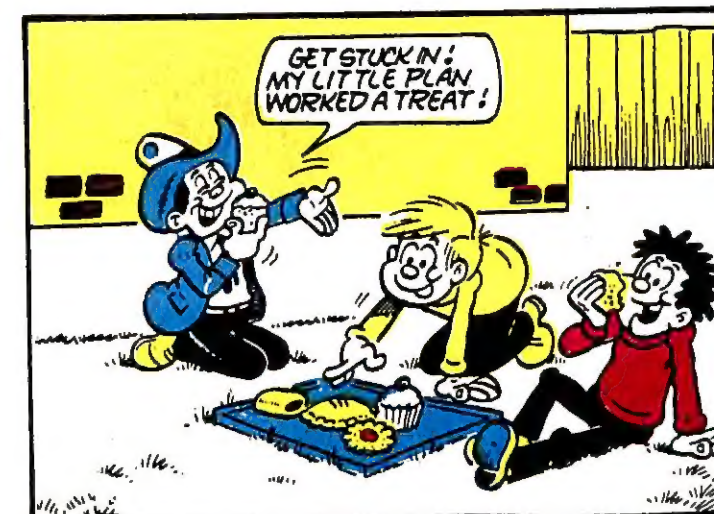
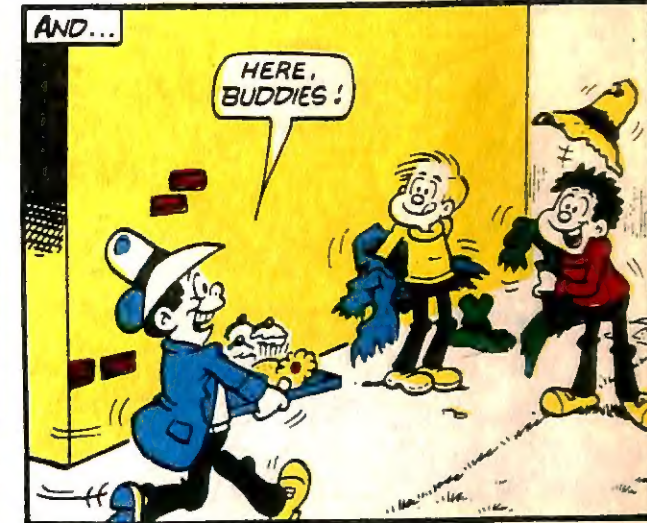
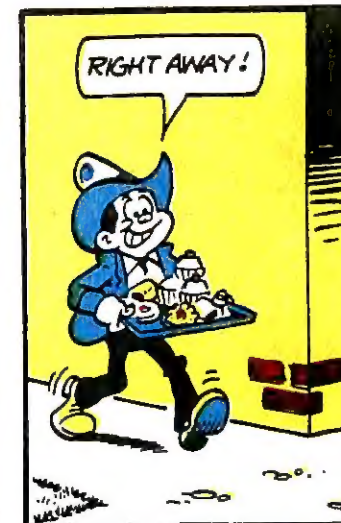
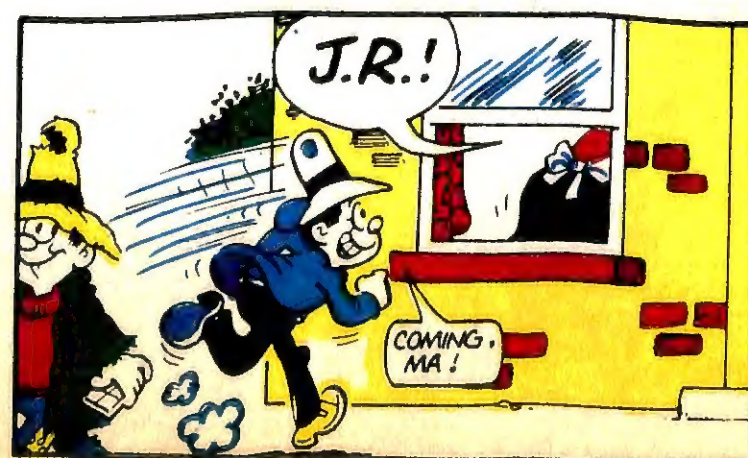
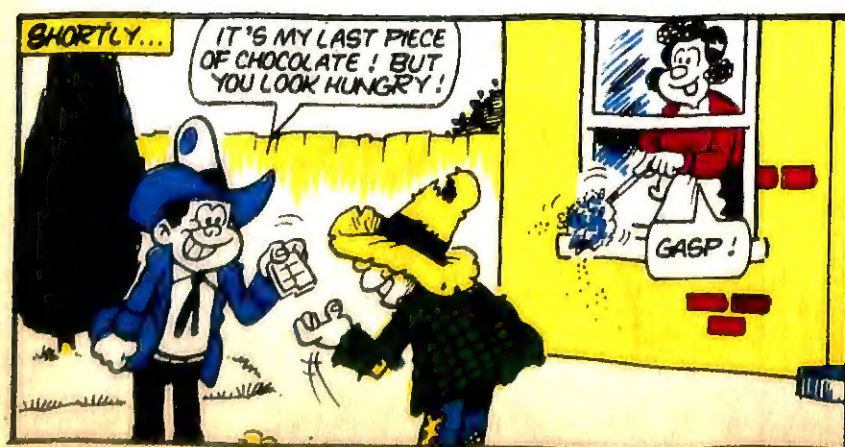
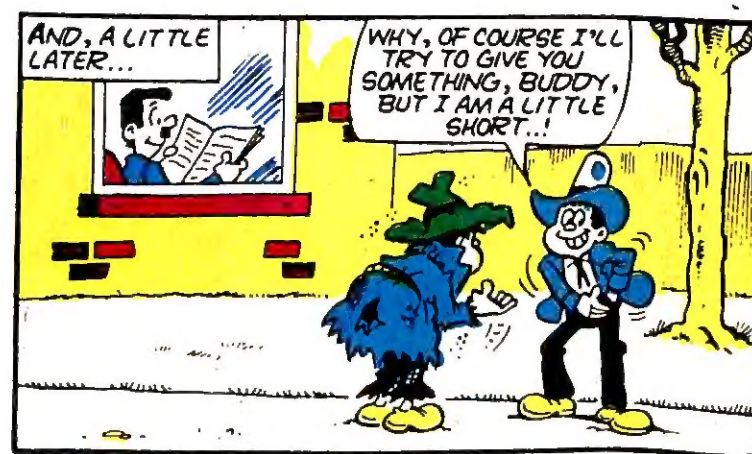
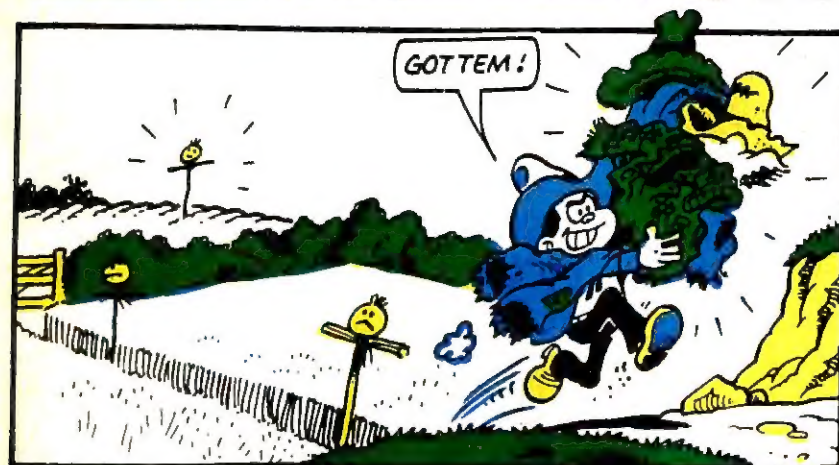
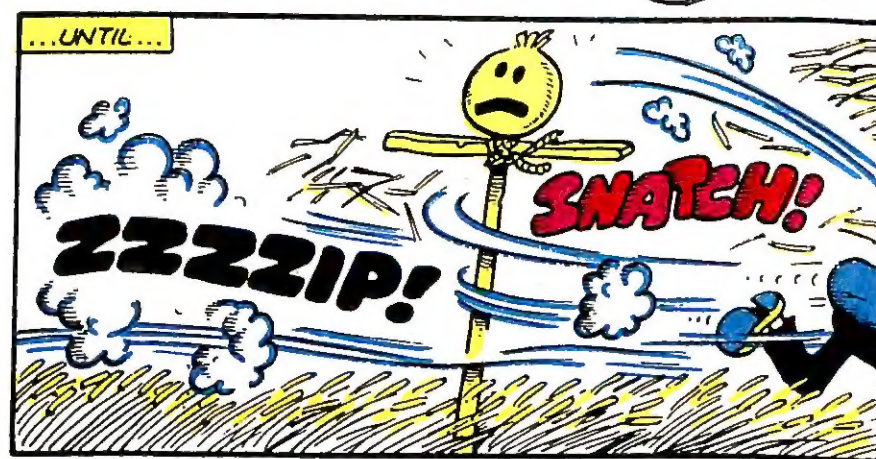
Melvyn's MIRROR



MIGHTY MOUTH



Junior Rotter



WIN England FLYING COLOURS KITES

33 UP FOR GRABS

With the World Cup just around the corner football fans across the country will be jumping for joy when they discover the brilliant 'Flying Colours Football Kite' featuring the England football strip - new from *Worlds Apart!* Available exclusively at Woolworths, the kite is suitable for kids aged six and over, has a wing span of 96cm and rests on a glass fibre frame - making it one of the most durable constructions around!



Ease of assembly is always a priority at Worlds Apart, with simple step by step instructions. For extra flying fun two lines are attached to allow you to do dazzling stunts such as loops, figure 8's and spectacular dives. When you're not out playing with your kite you can hang it up on your bedroom wall and it's a FANTastic way to show you're right behind Glenn Hoddle's team!

HOW TO ENTER

To stand a chance of winning one of these super kites all you have to do is answer the simple question on our special entry coupon. Complete the coupon with your name and address, then cut it out and stick it on a postcard, or the back of a sealed down, empty envelope and send it to: 'Flying Colours Football Kite Competition', Buster Comic, P.O. Box 164, Chelmsford CM1 3XB. Entries to arrive by Friday 27th March 1998, the closing date. After that date we will put all the correct entries we've received into a postsack and the senders of the first 33 pulled out at random will win the prizes. Usual Buster competition rules apply. The Editor's decision is final in all matters.

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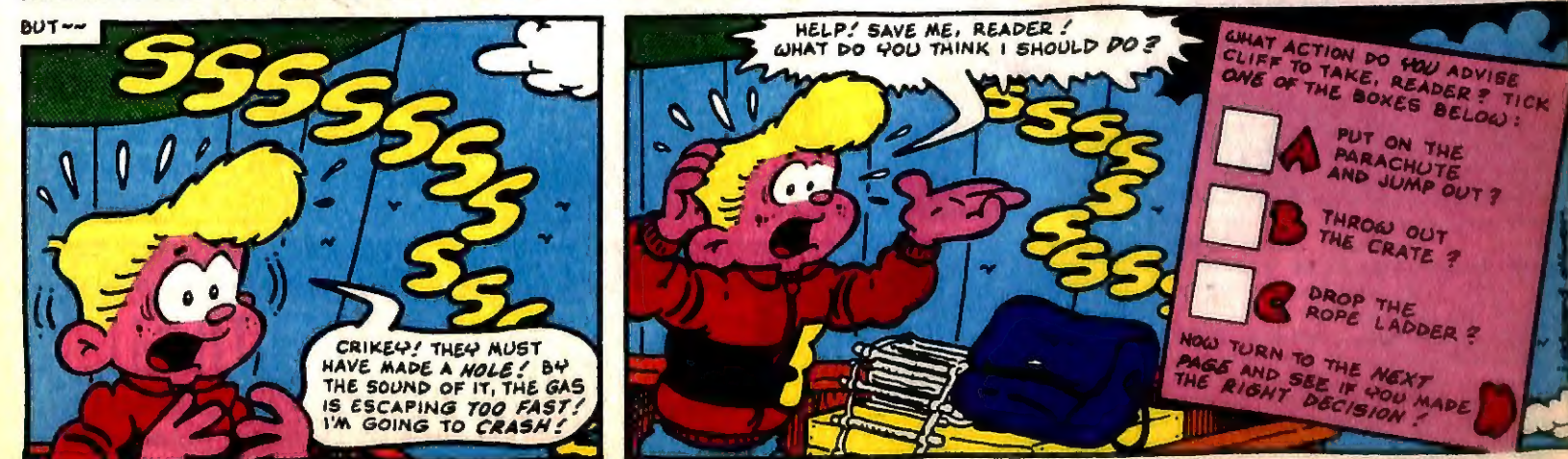
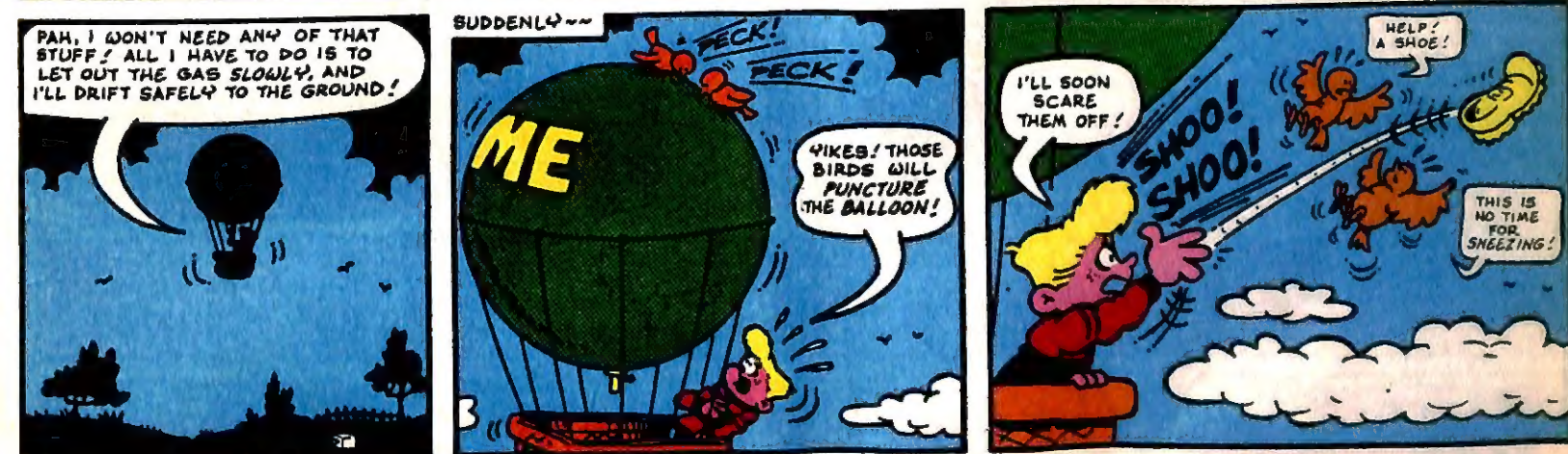
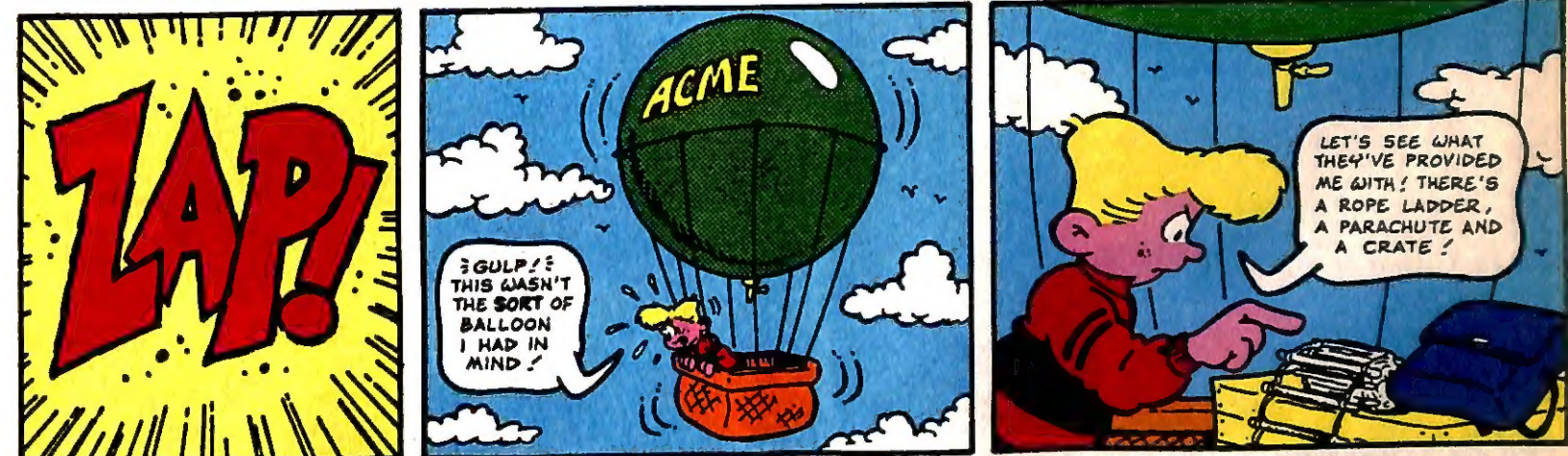
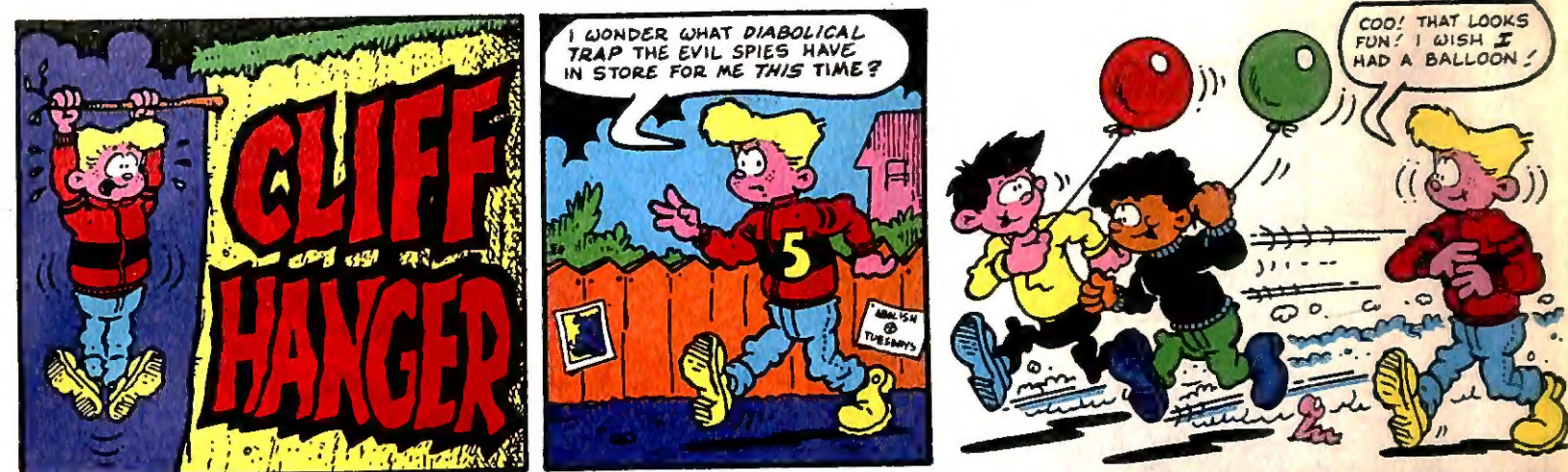
Question: Where are the World Cup finals being held?
(a) America (b) Australia (c) France

Answer: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____



Here's how we're able to bring you these CLIFF HANGER CLASSICS from fifteen years ago: The Cliff Hanger artist, J. Edward Oliver, searches through the Buster vaults - actually, his loft - for the original comic from 1983. The printing has faded over the years, so the black and white page has to be painstakingly restored. A copy of the finished artwork is coloured with markers as a guide to the computer colourist, who produces the final full-colour page you see above!



BUSTER COMIC, P.O. BOX 164, CHELMSFORD, ESSEX CM1 3XB

£2.00 FOR EACH WINNER

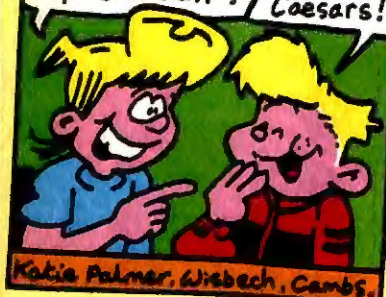
b-mail

Dear Buster,
I used to get your comic but then it stopped coming to Western Australia.

Now, thank goodness, it's started coming out here again! I would like a male pen pal, age 11-13, who likes cartoons, bike riding and computers.
DAVID BERRY,
12 DEBENHAM ST,
THORNIE 6108,
W. AUSTRALIA.



How did the Roman magician cut the empire in half?



With a pair of Caesars!

What stopped the sailors playing cards?



The captain stood on the deck!

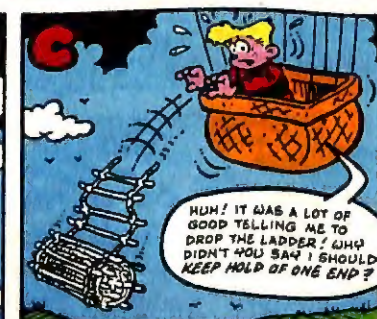
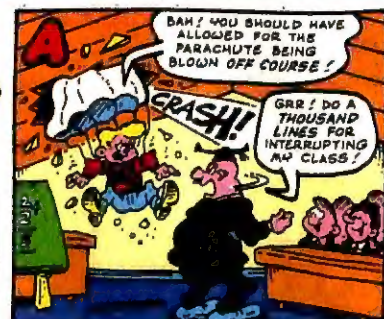
Niall Byrne, Claremorris.

PEN PAL

I'm looking for a girl pen pal aged 8-12. I'm 11. My hobbies are football, swimming and playing with my hamster called Chips. I support Newcastle United and I promise to reply to every letter!!
HENRY BRENNAN, HEATH HOUSE, WHITSTONE, EXETER, DEVON EX4 2HJ.

CLIFF HANGER

WHAT ADVICE DID YOU GIVE?



Buster Birthdays

5 MAR: Daryl Mullen (age 13), Dungannon, County Tyrone.
8 MAR: Joseph Bradburn (age 11), Wyke, Bradford, Yorkshire.
12 MAR: Kim Launder (age 12), Bonnybrook, Coolock, Dublin.

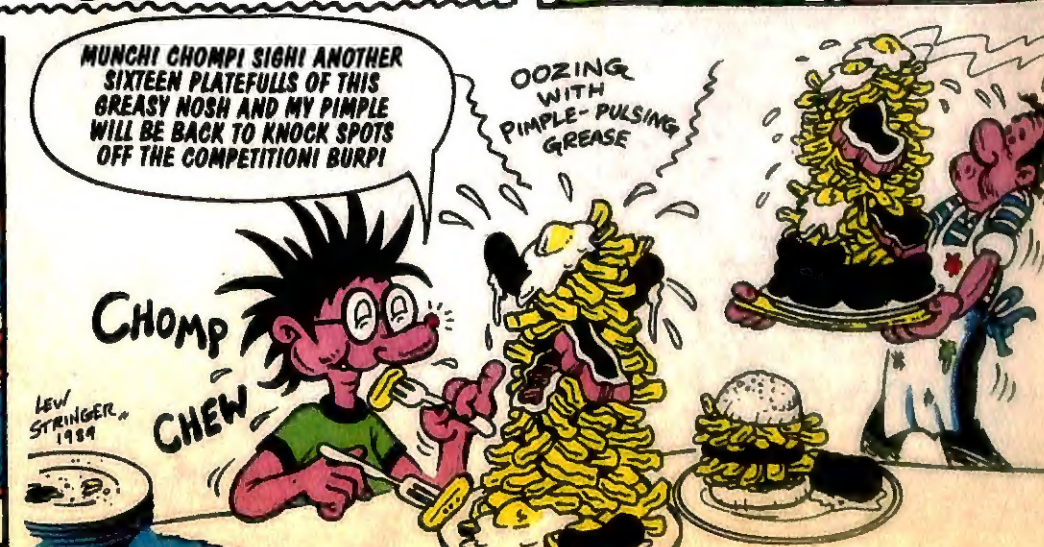
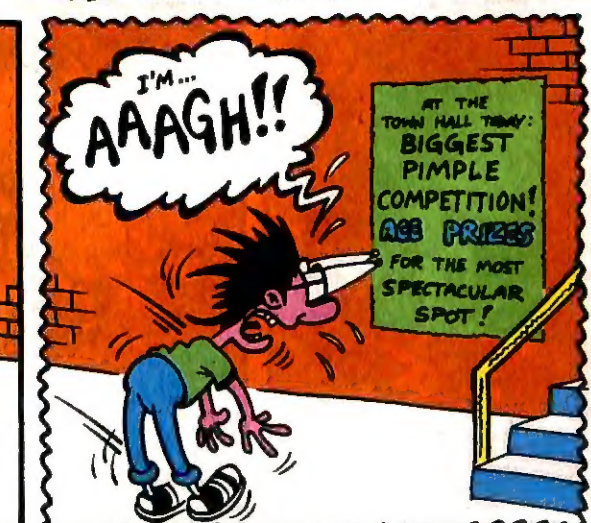
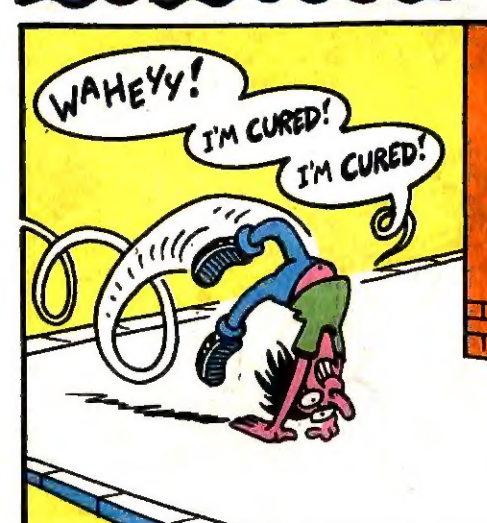
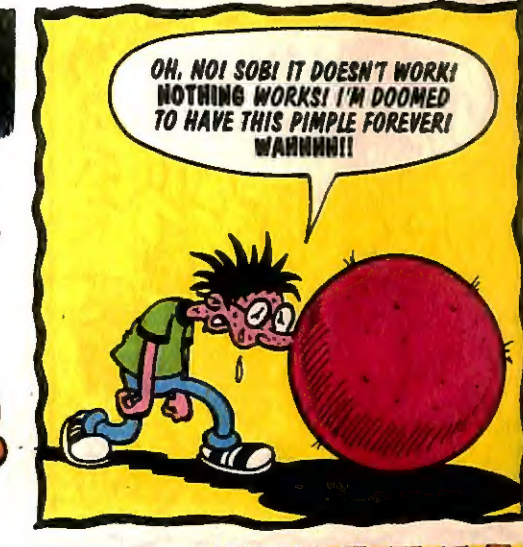
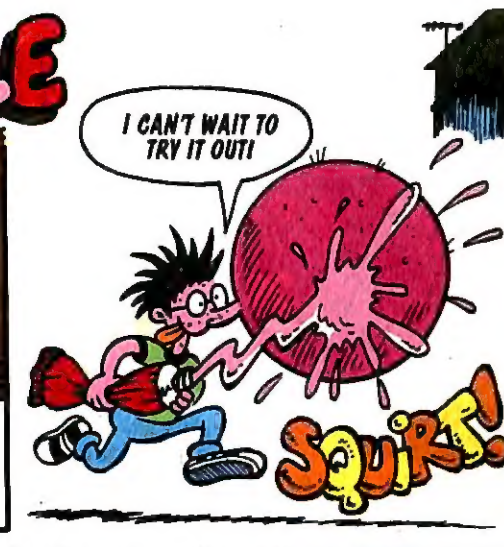
PLEASE FILL IN AND SEND THIS COUPON WHENEVER YOU WRITE TO BUSTER

MY TOP 3 BUSTER STRIPS:
1
2
3
MY LEAST FAVE STRIP:
.....



Dear Buster,
I am a keen artist. Please print my pictures, which I drew with a badly sprained joint in my thumb (Strange: most people use a PENCIL! - Ed). I've been collecting Buster since 1989. Please bring back my old favourite, 'Pete's Pimple'.
MARTIN STIRLING, BRIAR HILL, NORTHAMPTON.
..Okay, Martin! We're printing a 'Pete's Pimple' strip on the page opposite, especially for you!

PETE'S PIMPLE



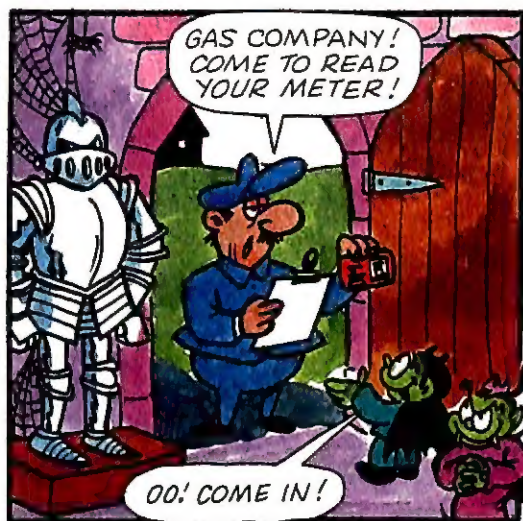
BUSTER BONUS!

COMPUTER GAMES

Thanks to CAMPBELL'S, makers of CAMPBELL'S MEATBALLS and HOT DOGGERS, every reader with an item included in this issue's b-mail will receive an ace hand-held electronic LCD Meatballs game, in addition to the regular £2 pocket-money prize!

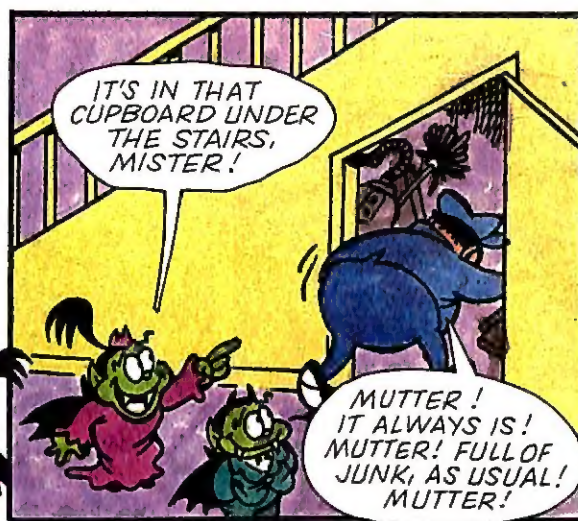
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The Vampire Brats



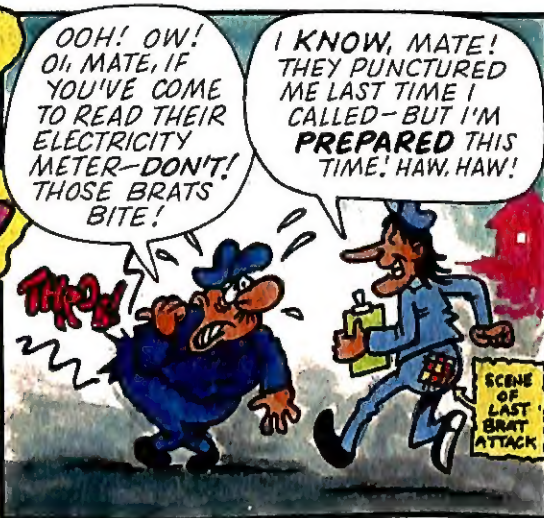
GAS COMPANY!
COME TO READ
YOUR METER!

OO! COME IN!



IT'S IN THAT
CUPBOARD UNDER
THE STAIRS,
MISTER!

MUTTER!
IT ALWAYS IS!
MUTTER! FULL OF
JUNK, AS USUAL!
MUTTER!



OOH! OW!
OH, MATE, IF
YOU'VE COME
TO READ THEIR
ELECTRICITY
METER—DON'T!
THOSE BRATS
BITE!

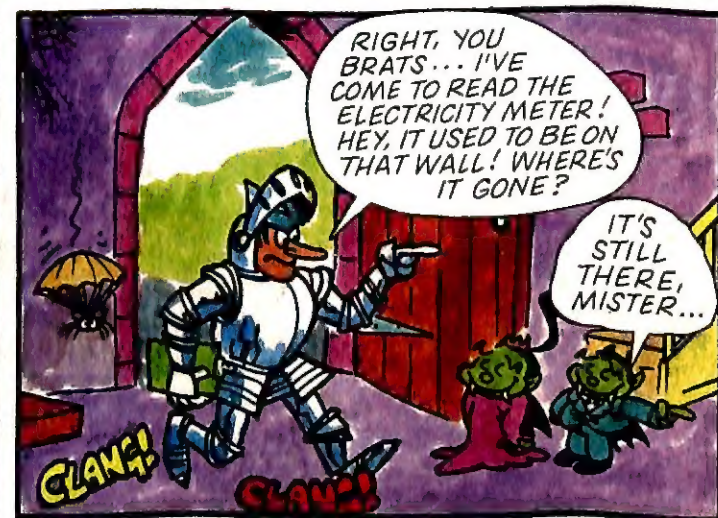
I KNOW, MATE!
THEY PUNCTURED
ME LAST TIME I
CALLED—BUT I'M
PREPARED THIS
TIME! HAW, HAW!

SCENE OF
LAST BRAT
ATTACK



Errk!

SNATCH!



RIGHT, YOU
BRATS... I'VE
COME TO READ THE
ELECTRICITY METER!
HEY, IT USED TO BE ON
THAT WALL! WHERE'S
IT GONE?

IT'S
STILL
THERE,
MISTER...



... BUT IT DIDN'T
LOOK NICE... SO
DAD PUT THAT EMPTY
CUPBOARD THERE
TO HIDE IT! OPEN
IT AND SEE!

CREEAK!



ROARR!
HOW DARE YOU
DISTURB MY
NAP!



HE DIDN'T
EXPECT TO
"METER"
MUMMY!

YEAH! IT WAS
A TERRIBLE
"SHOCK"!

LEW STRINGER



THERE'S A CONVENTION
IN HERE TODAY.



BUT I'D BETTER
MAKE SURE I'M NOT
RECOGNISED!



IT'S A RICKY RAINBOW
CONVENTION! THEY'D ALL
WANT MY AUTOGRAPH
IF I APPEARED!

Ricky
Signs here



BABY PHOTOS! OH, THE
EMBARRASSMENT!



Ricky Socks, S
Shirt, Sweater
you

BAH! THAT
STUFF CAME
FROM MY CLOTHES
LINE! WHAT A
CHEEK!

Ricky

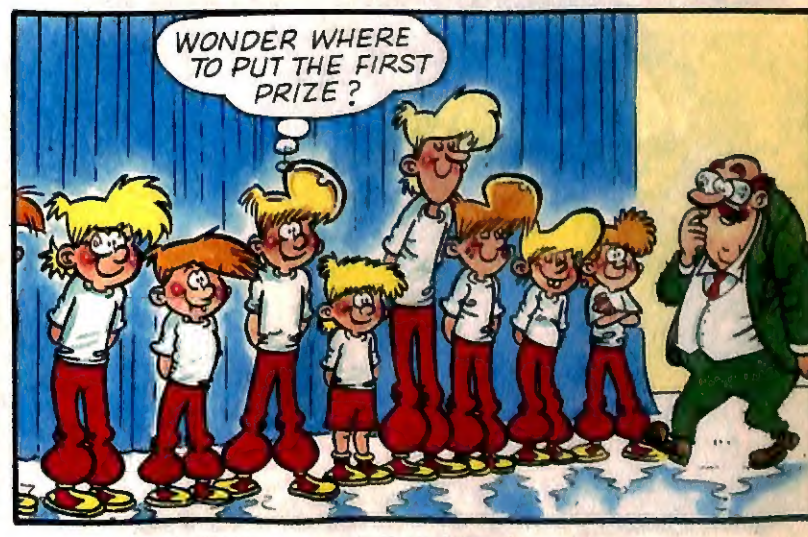


GREAT! I CAN TURN
NORMAL COLOUR!

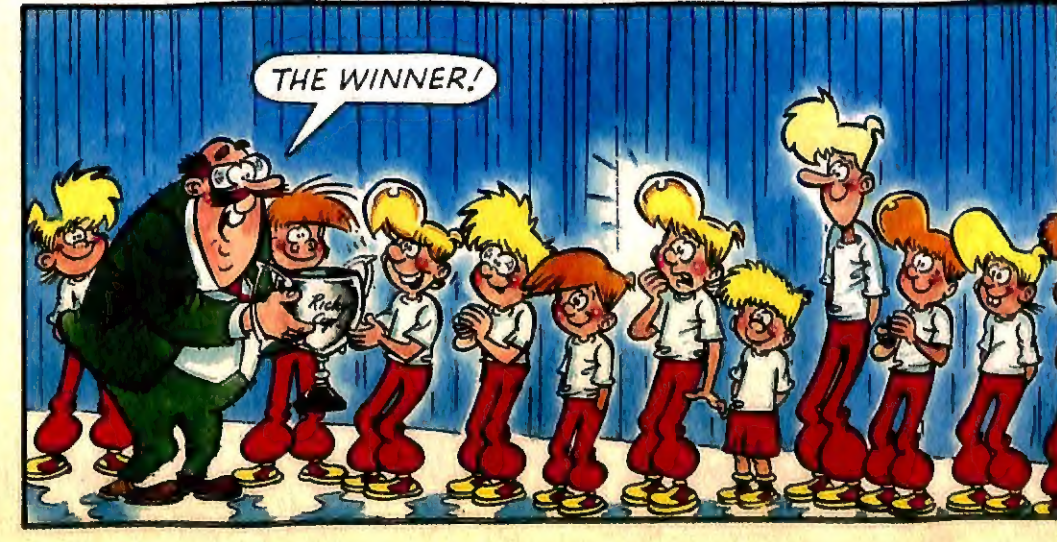


I'LL ENTER!

RICKY LOOK-A-
LIKE CONTEST



WONDER WHERE
TO PUT THE FIRST
PRIZE?



THE WINNER!



BAH! AFTER
MY EFFORT TO BE
UNNOTICED—I FINISHED
UP SECOND IN MY OWN
LOOK ALIKE CONTEST!

THE CRAZIEST CHARACTERS ARE ALWAYS IN BUSTER COMIC!

Lucy Lase

I'M GOING TO DO A SPOT OF STARGAZING!

BUT YOU CAN'T SEE ANY STARS IN THE MIDDLE OF THE AFTERNOON, LUCY!

WANNA BET?

NOT DOWN THERE MAYBE...

STRE-EETCH!

ZODD!

GASPS IN AMAZEMENT!

...BUT THERE ARE PLENTY UP HERE?! HEH, HEH!

WDOOMPH!

ERK!

THEY'RE KNOT GOING TO GET AWAY WITH THAT!

WE AIM THE MISSILE AT EARTH AND HOLD THE WORLD TO RANSOM! CACKLE!

OKAY, BOSS!

EARTH BLASTER!

GASP! SO THAT'S THEIR GAME, IS IT?

THERE AREN'T ANY ALIENS UP HERE, ARE THERE?

OF COURSE NOT!

WANNA BET!

BACK ON EARTH...

NOW WHERE DID I PUT THOSE...

RUMMAGE!

MFL SALE

...GOT 'EM!

MY OLD FINGER PUPPET SET! HEH, HEH!

WIGGLE!

WAGGLE!

AAAAGH! ALIENS!

BLUTHER!

HOLD IT! THOSE TITCHY THINGS CAN'T HARM US!

TIME TO STRETCH MY VOCAL CHORDS!

VIOLENTLY VIBRATING VOCAL CHORDS.

NNNNNGG!

PHOOOM!

WINKLE SHATTER!

L-LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!

HI, DAD! I JUST SAVED THE WORLD!

HUH! YOU'RE JUST A DAY-DREAMER!

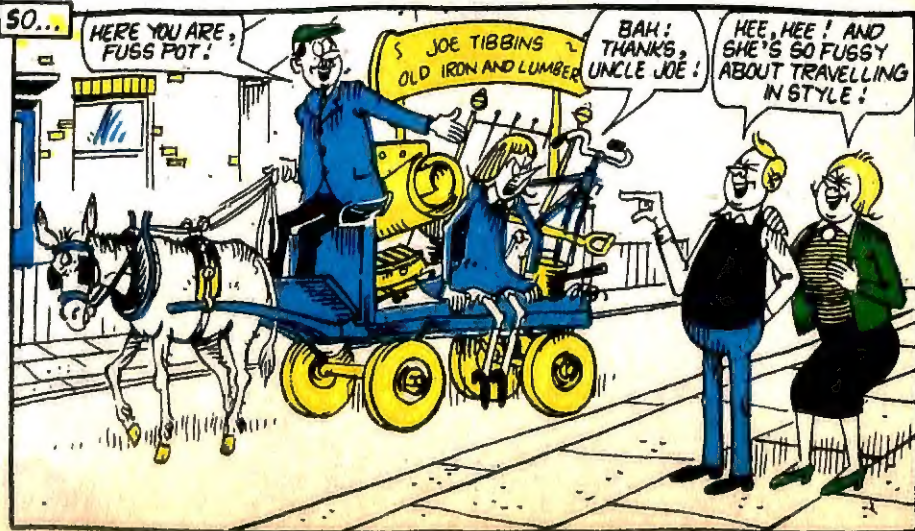
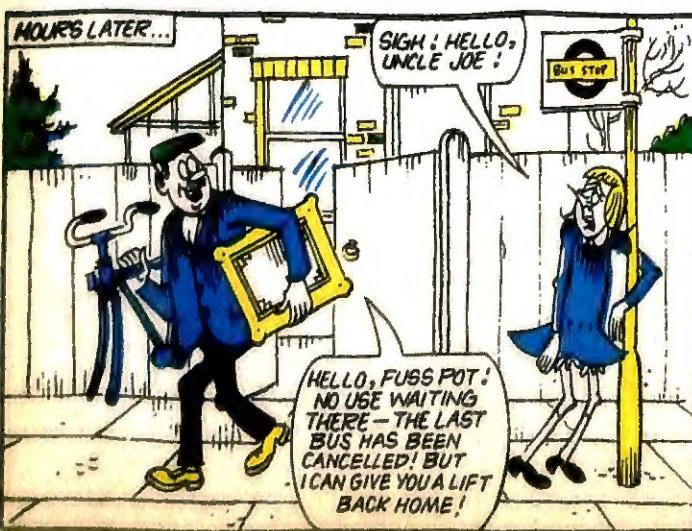
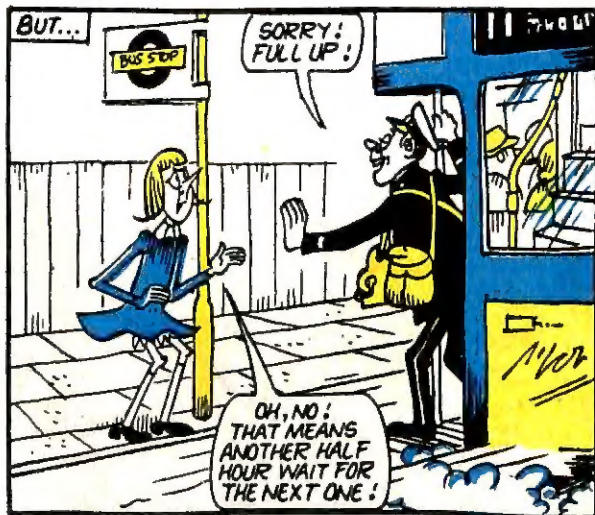
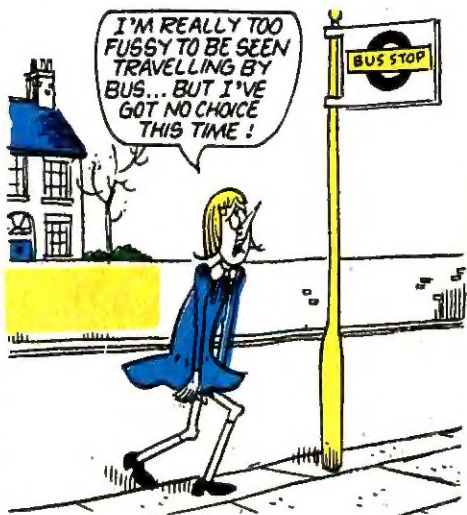
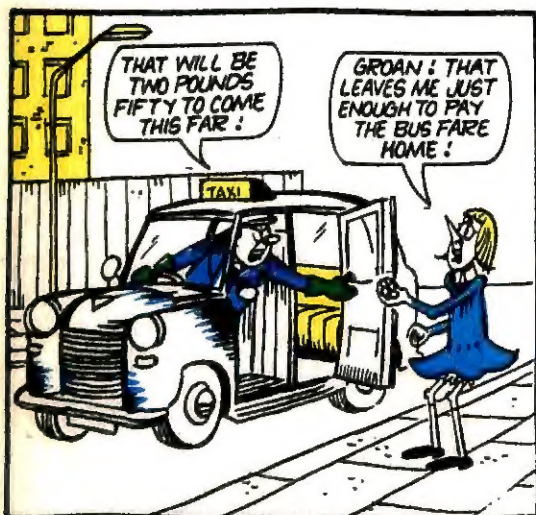
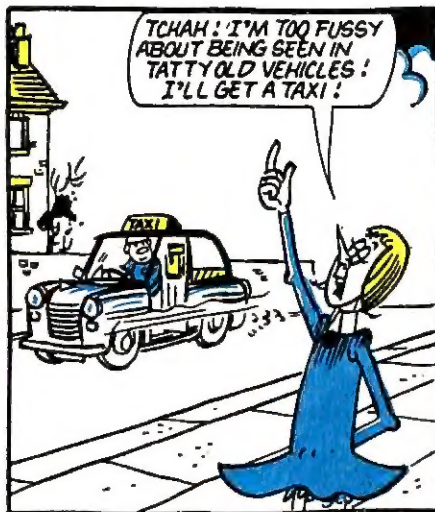
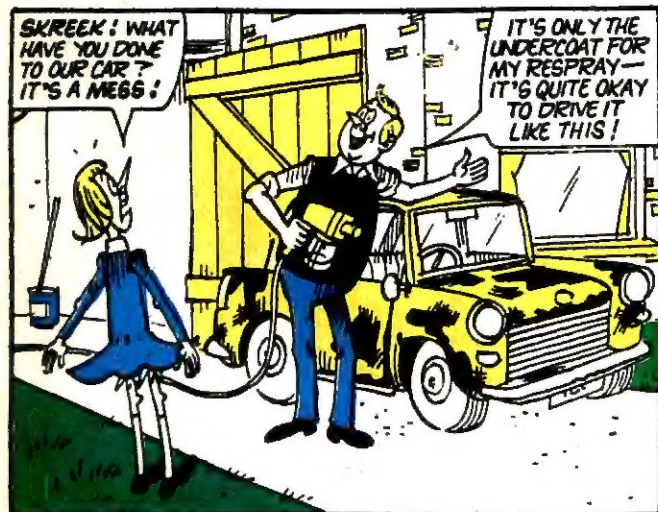
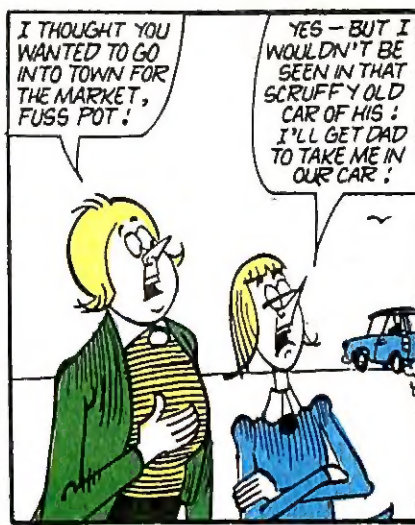
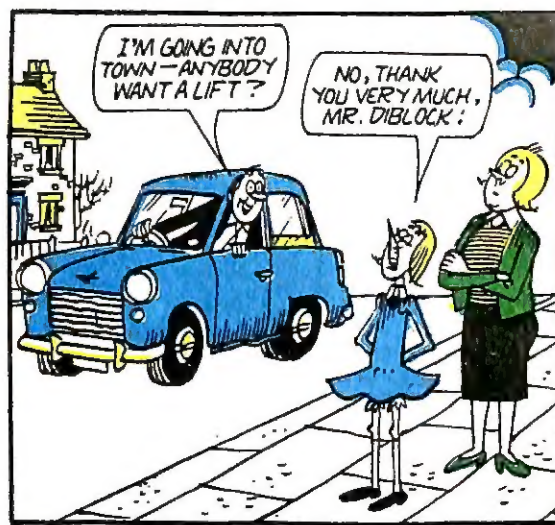
DAILY MINCE

COMPLETE AND UTTER MINCE!

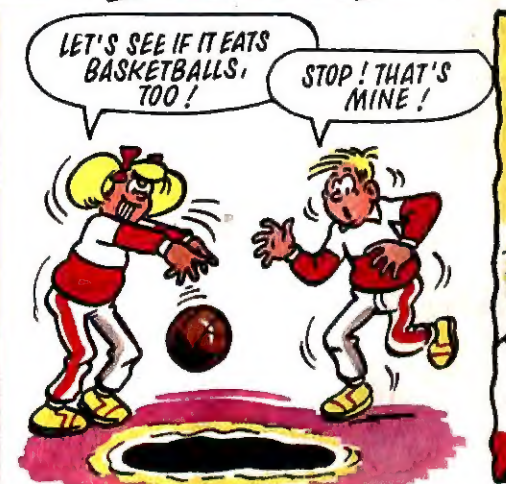
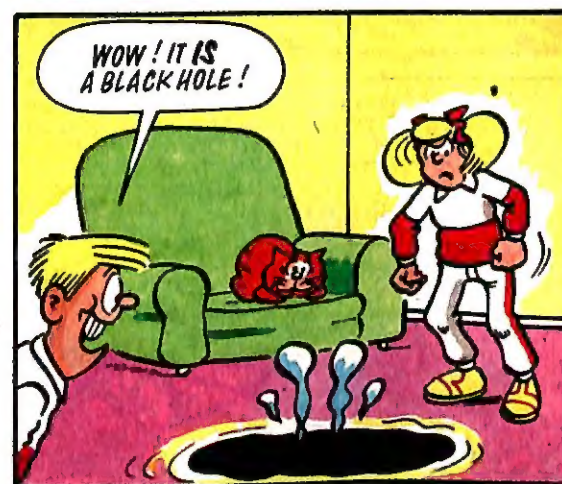
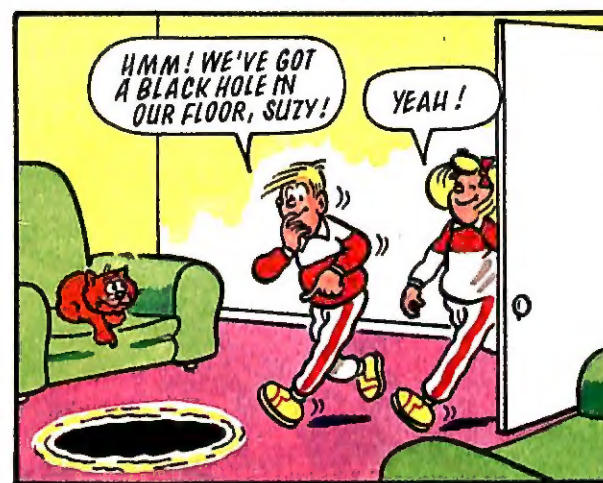
YOU SHOULDN'T WALK AROUND WITH YOUR HEAD IN THE CLOUDS!

I DIDN'T! IT WAS HIGHER THAN THAT! TITTER!

FUSS POT



DOUBLE TROUBLE



The BUMPKIN BILLIONAIRES



HMPH! THERE MUST BE A WAY O' GETTING RID O' OUR AWFUL FORTUNE, THERE **MUST** BE!

MEANWHILE, TWO REGULAR VISITORS SHOW UP ...

I SAY IT'S NOT WORTH TRYING TO ROB THE BUMPKINS AGAIN - WE'VE NEVER MANAGED IT YET!

WE'VE JUST BEEN UNLUCKY! WE'LL MAKE IT THIS TIME!

OH-OH!

I REMEMBER THEM USELESS ROBBERS! BUT MAYBE WITH A LITTLE HELP...

A KEY! WHERE DID **THAT** COME FROM?

DON'T KNOW! HEY! DO YOU SUPPOSE IT COULD BE THE KEY TO THE BUMPKINS' HOUSE?

LOVELY WEATHER WE BE HAVING, PA!

AR! IT BAIN'T RAINED IN HERE FOR WEEKS!

THEY BEA-LOOKING FOR THE MONEY, DAISY!

AR! AND IT'LL TAKE THEM **ALL DAY**, UNLESS WE HELPS THEM!

RACE YOU UP THE HALL, DAISY!

YERK! LOOK OUT!

AR! RIGHT-O, BILLY!

I BE BEATING YOU, BILLY!

OH, NO, YOU BAIN'T!

YERK!

WHOOPS! WE'VE RACED RIGHT INTO THE MONEY-ROOM!

MONEY!

AR! AND IT WERE A DRAW!

AR! MEAN YEAH!

INSIDE, PA EXPLAINED HIS PLAN...

...SO THIS HERE TIME, WITH A KEY TO GET IN, EVEN THEY BE **BOUND** TO ROB US PROPER, LOIKE!

CLEVER LAD, PA! HERE THEY COME NOW!

THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO FIND OUT!

COME IN, LADS! YOU BE REAL WELCOME, LOIKE!

HEY, NO, MA! DON'T BE SO EAGER!

ER... ER...

SLAM!

YAAAAGH!

DOGH! IT WAS A TRAP! I **KNEW** IT!

WE'RE POOR! HEE, HEE! WHAT A SUCCESS!

IT WORKED! THE ROBBERY WORKED!

WE'RE RICH!

MIGHT AS WELL LET THEM HAVE THEIR KEY BACK! HAR, HAR!

HARVEST ME CORNS! IT'S HEADING FOR THAT AUTOMATIC POLICE ALARM THING THE BANK MANAGER MADE US PUT IN!

TRING! TRING!

YOU BE DAFT AS A PANCAKE, MA! YOU'VE ROIGHT SCARED 'EM OFF, 'SPECIALLY LETTING GO THE DOOR WITH THAT BIG SPRING ON IT!

WELL I DIDN'T MEAN IT, LOIKE!

HEY! THEY BEA-COMING BACK!

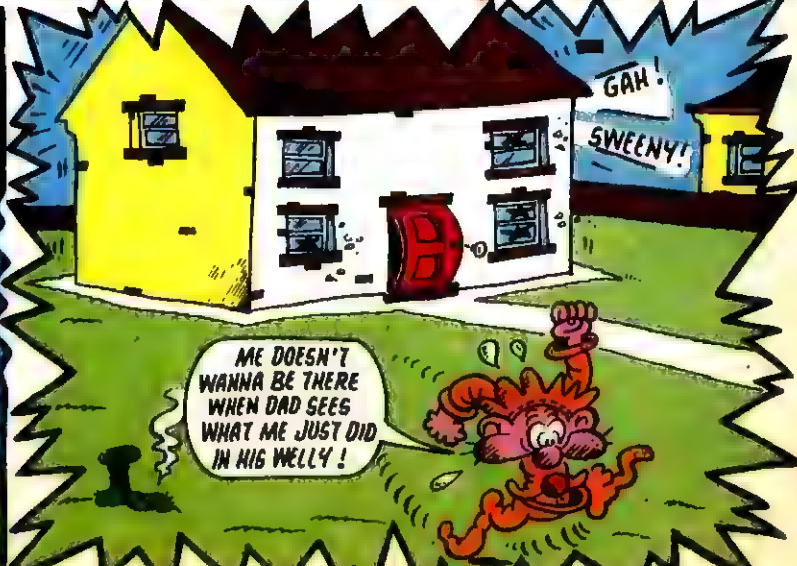
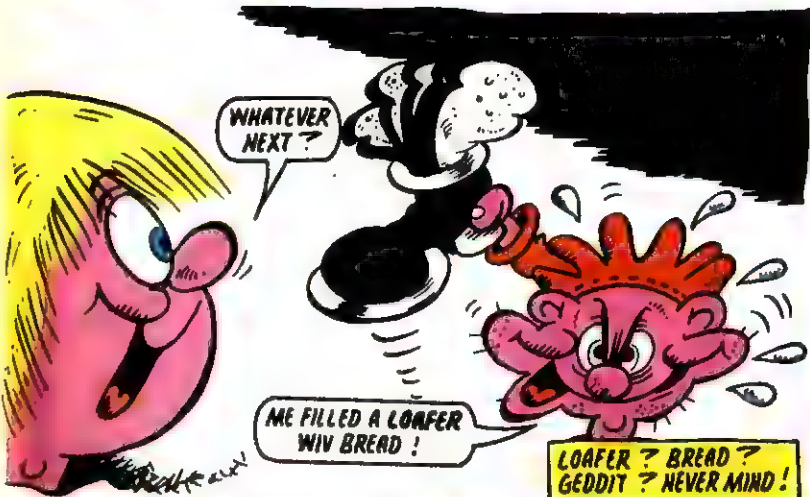
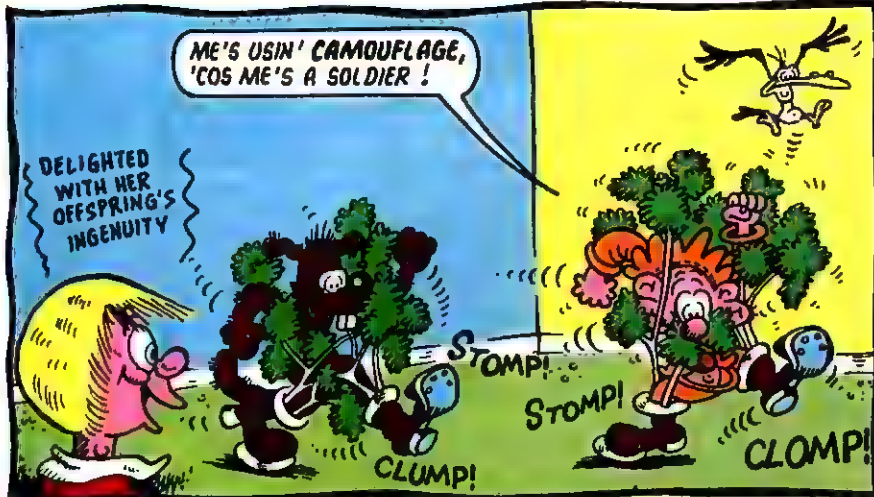
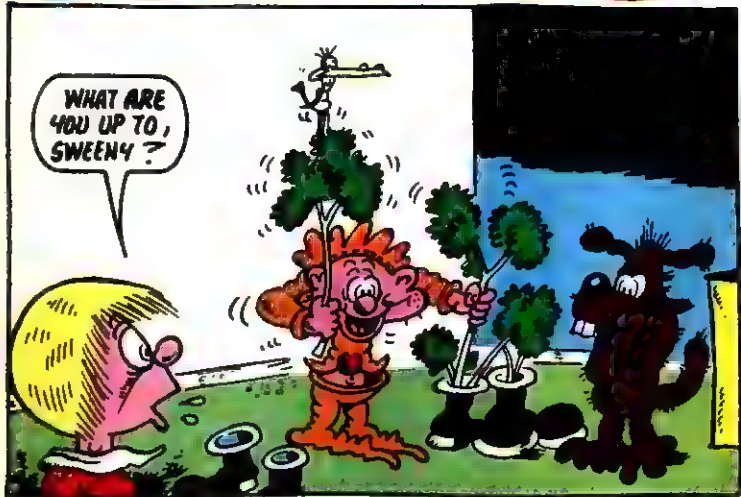
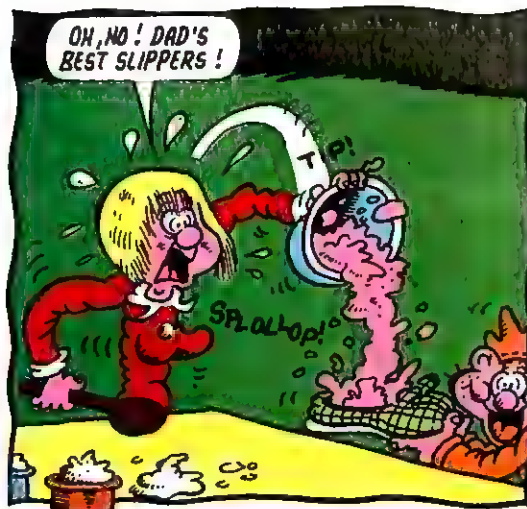
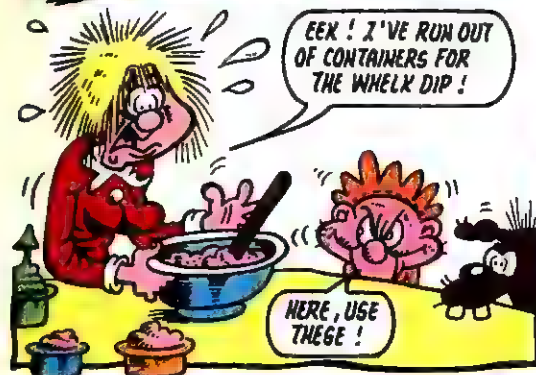
I DON'T CARE WHAT YOU SAY, I'VE GOT A KEY FOR THIS HOUSE AND I'M GOING TO USE IT!

YOU'LL REGRET IT, YOU MARK MY WORDS!

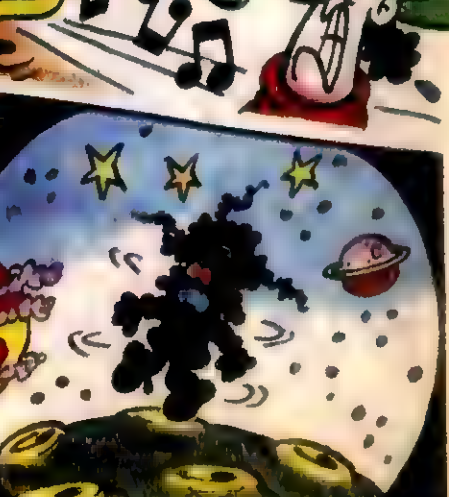
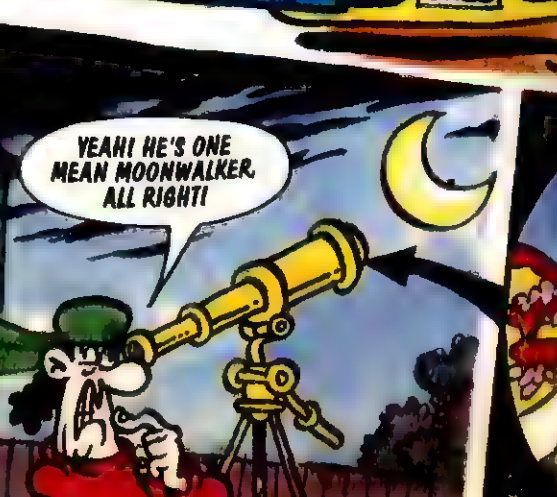
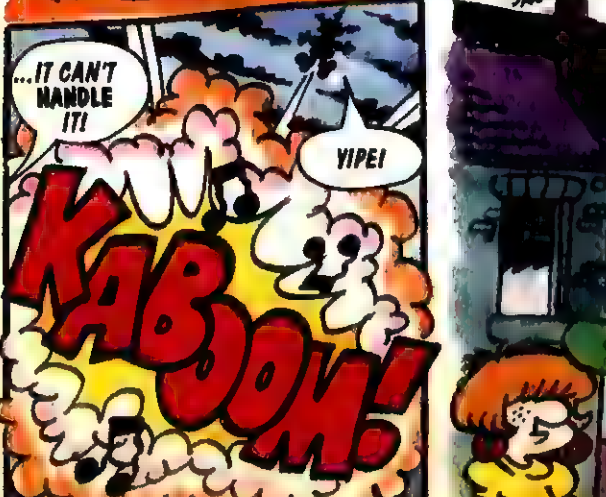
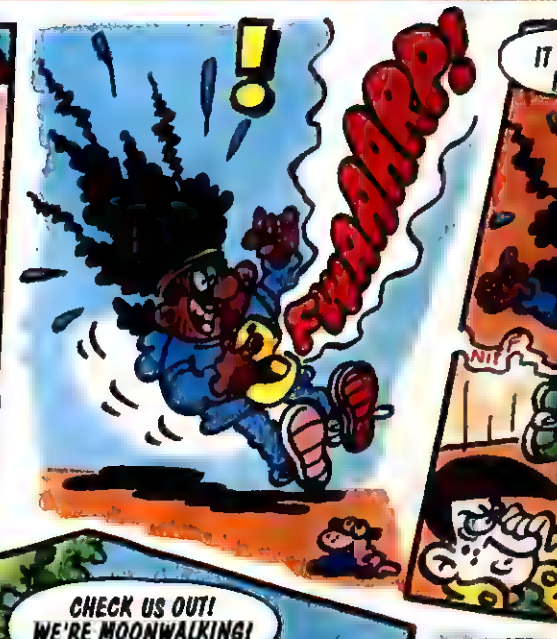
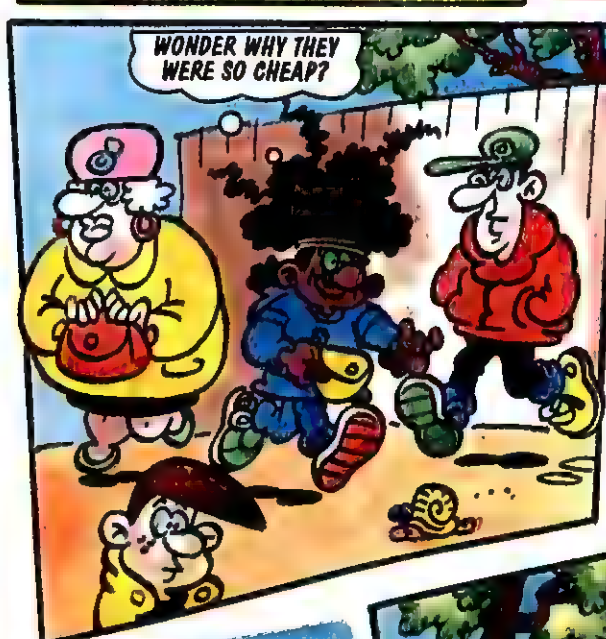
HERE THEY COMES! BEST THING IS TO PRETEND WE DON'T NOTICE THEM!

DAFT LUMPS! AFTER ALL OUR HELP, YOU GOES AND GETS YOURSELVES CAUGHT!

SWEENEY TODDLER

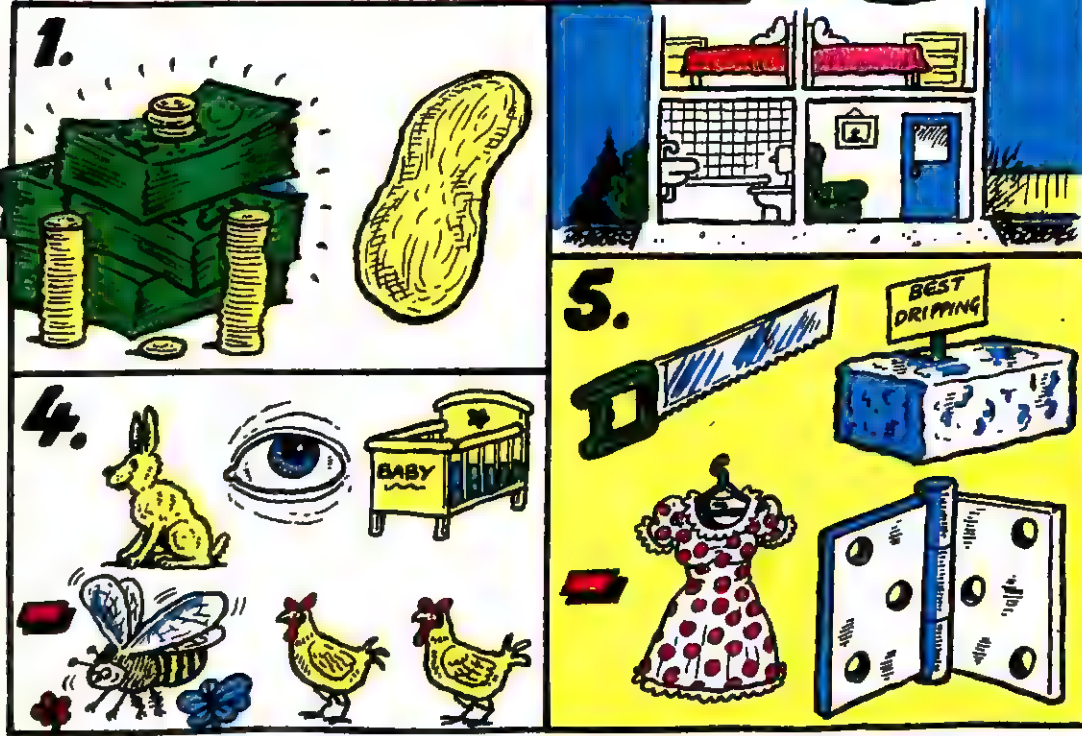


DELBERT THE DYNAMITE DUDE

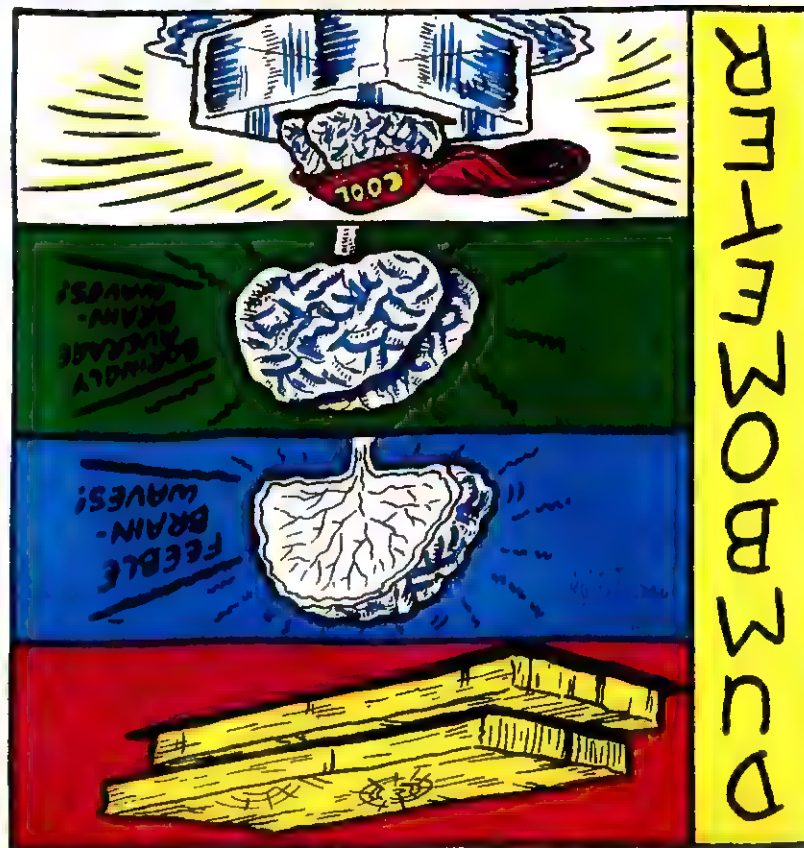


ARE YOU A COOL DUDE... OR A DUMBO?

Yo, brainboxes, welcome to another crazy quiz. You've got to unscramble the pictures to find the names of common foods. Award yourself one point for each correct answer. (Cheats can award themselves as many points as they like.)



0-1 SEE PICTURE.
2-3 SEE PICTURE AGAIN.
4-5 Sorry to repeat this, but please SEE PICTURE.
6 If you scored this, you're probably the only one who can work out what these clever pics actually mean.



TURN THE PAGE TO CHECK YOUR SCORE!...

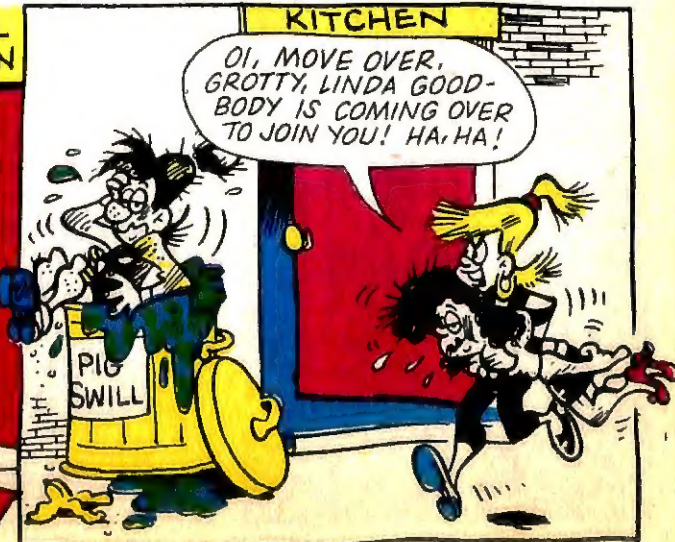
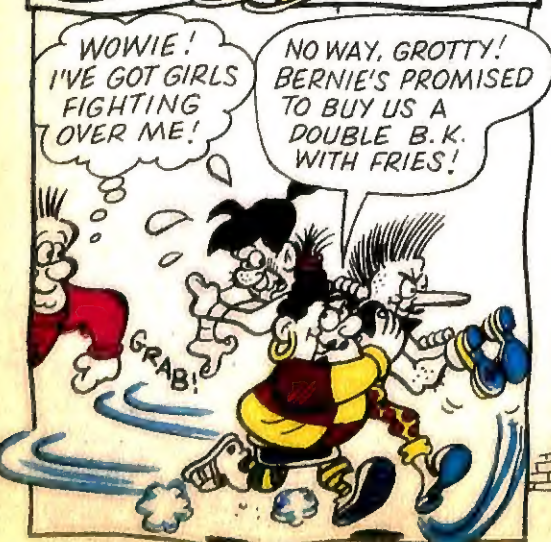
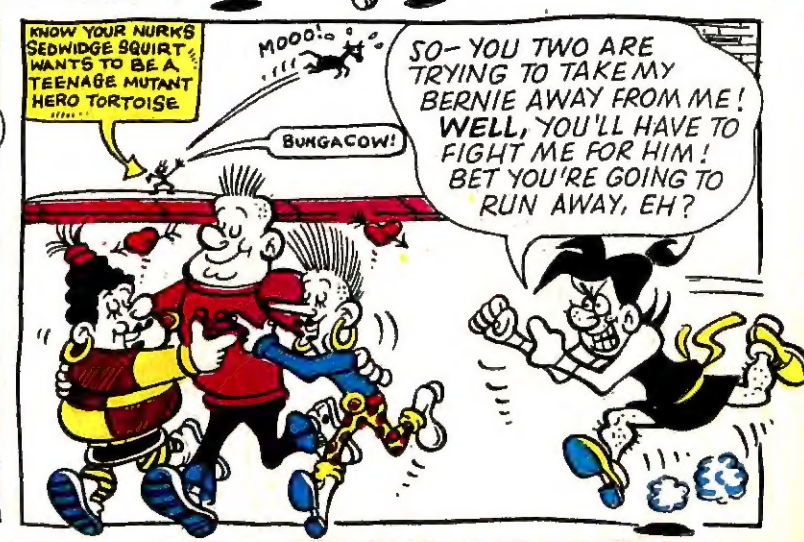
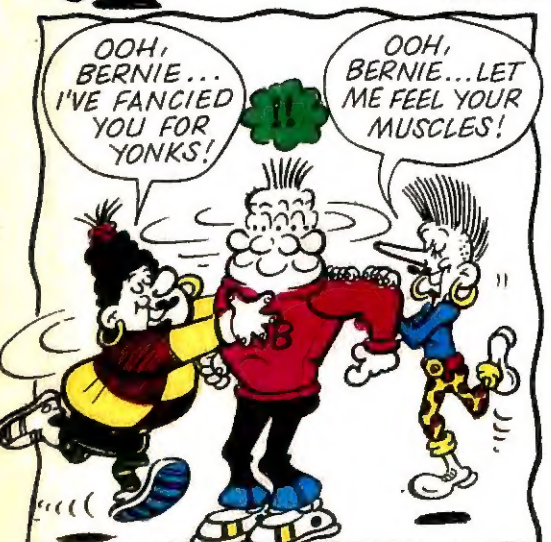
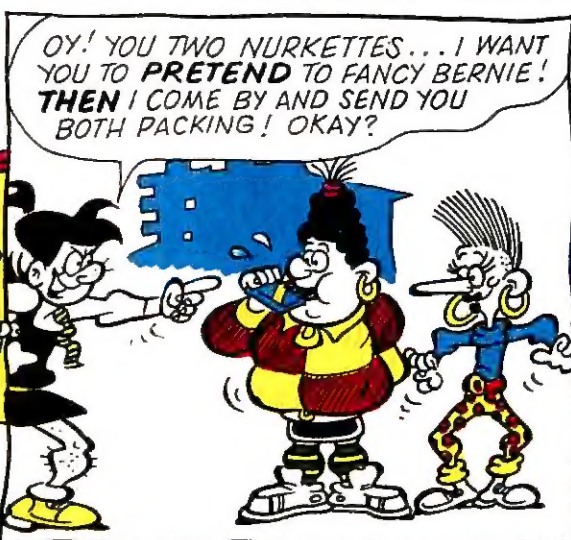
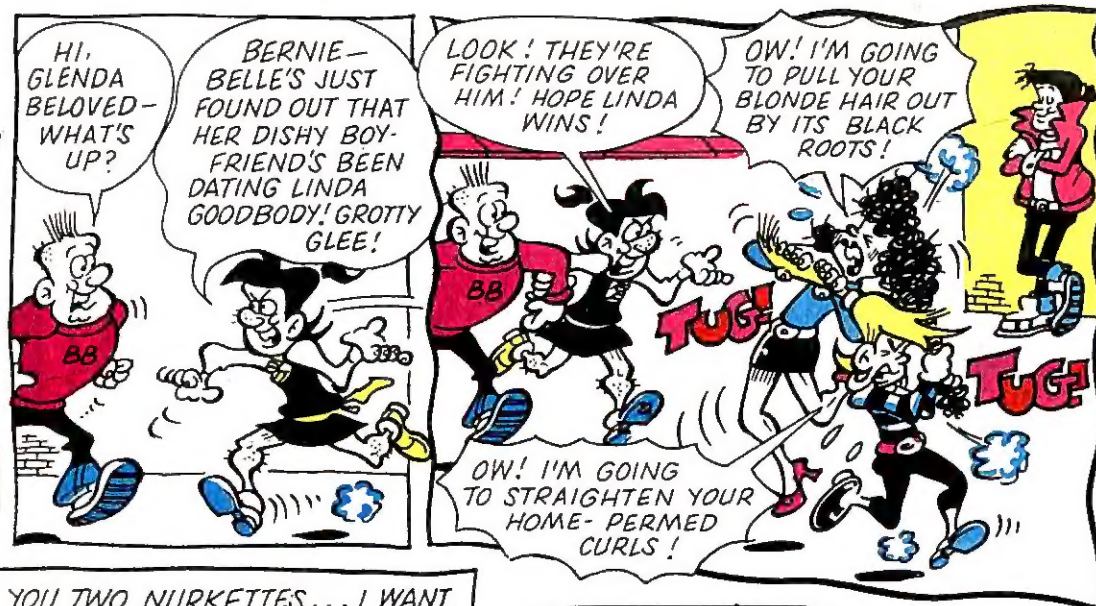


1. DOUGH-NUT. A nice easy one to get you started. Isn't it amazing how they always manage to get the hole in the middle of the doughnuts when they fry them?
2. MUSH-ROOM. If you guessed that another name for 'mush' is 'mush', then you'll have got this one.
3. DOVER-SOLE. A type of fish served in posh restaurants - and not wrapped up in paper with a portion of chips.
4. HARICOT-BEANS. (Hare-eye-coot-bee-hens) sometime.
5. SALAD-DRESSING. (Saw-lard-dress-hinge). Okay, so this wasn't so easy, either.
6. TREACLE-PUDDING. (Tree-cool-paw-ding). It's the Ed's favourite, so we had to put it in 'cos we're all crawlers.

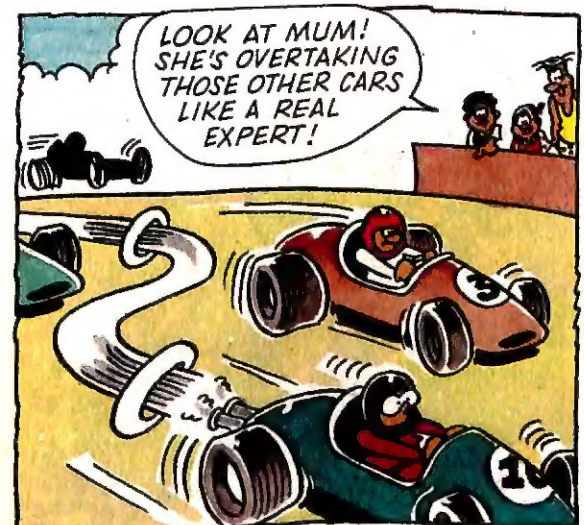
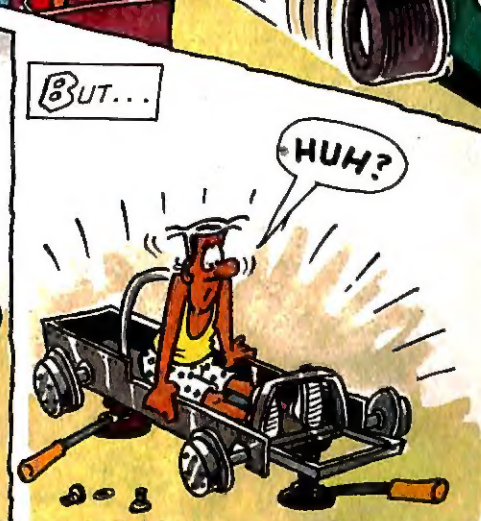
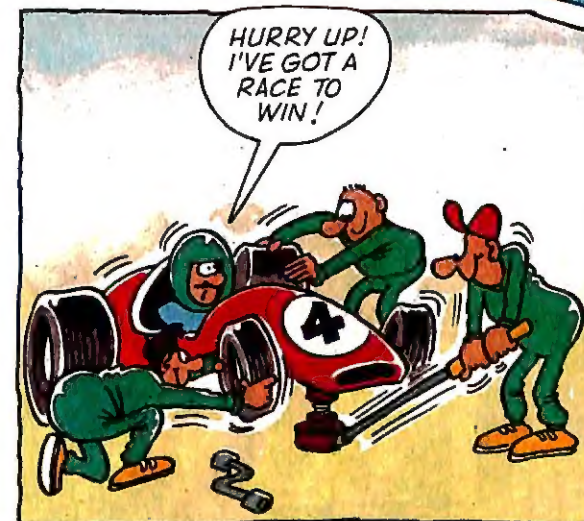
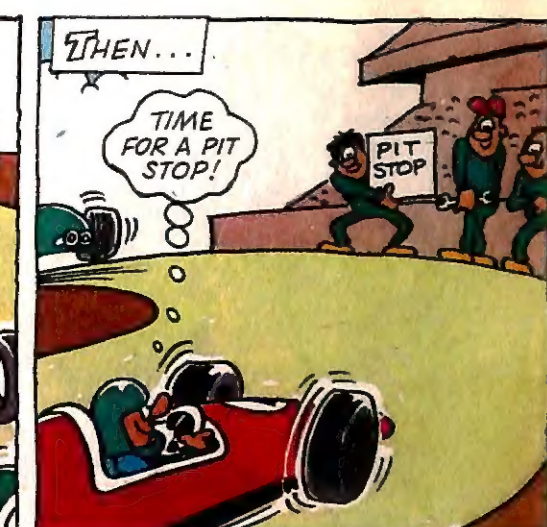
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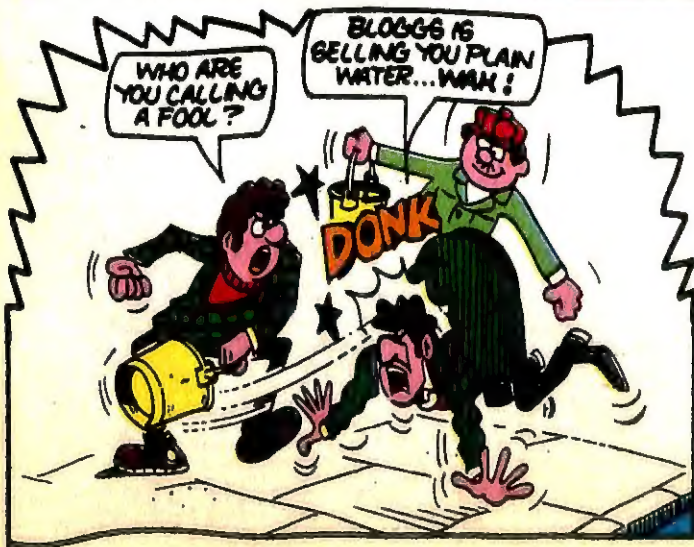
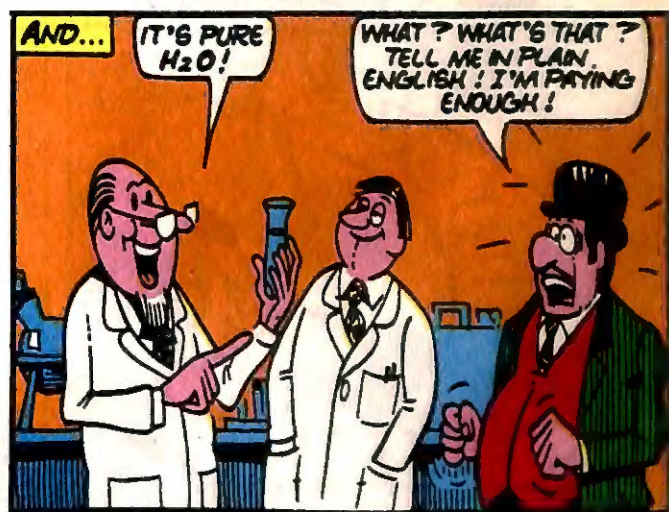
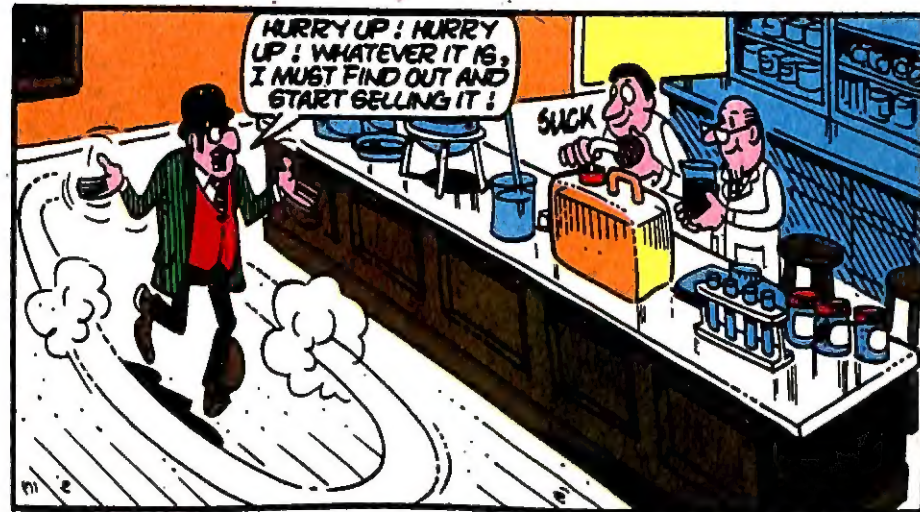
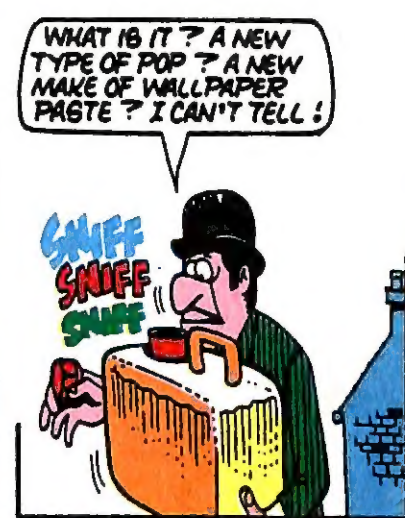
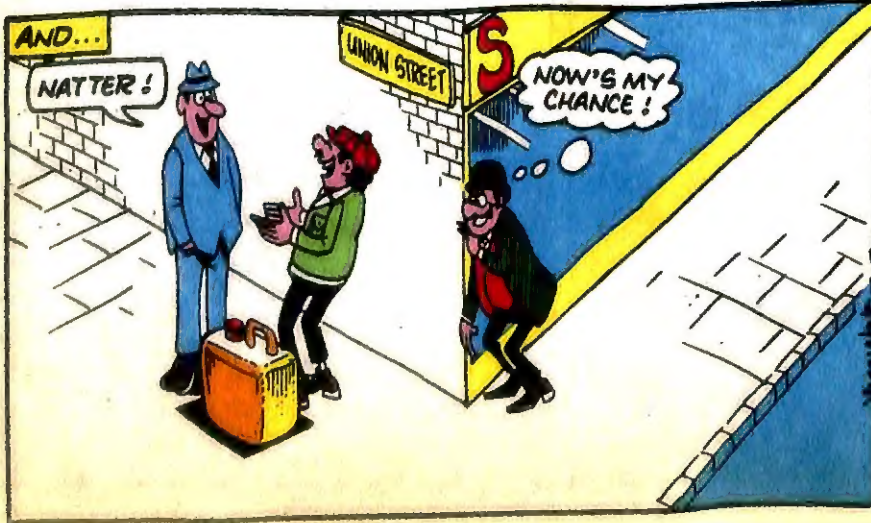
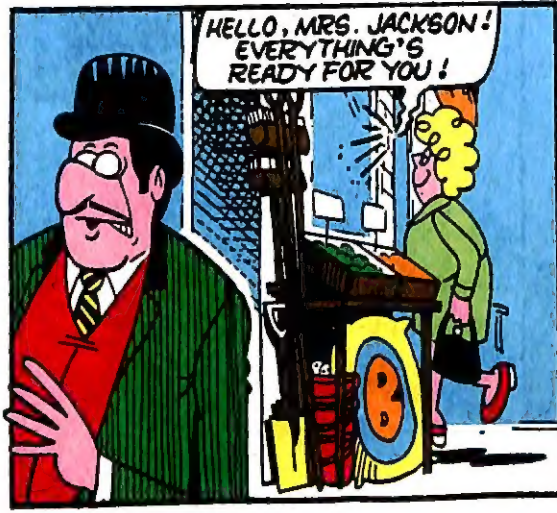
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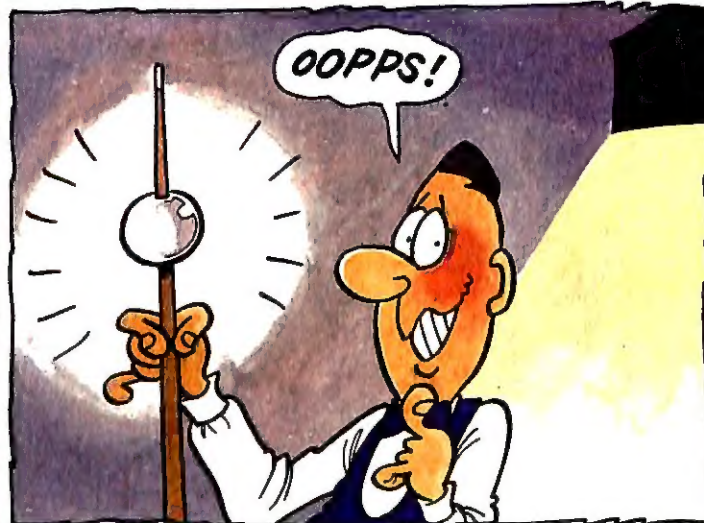
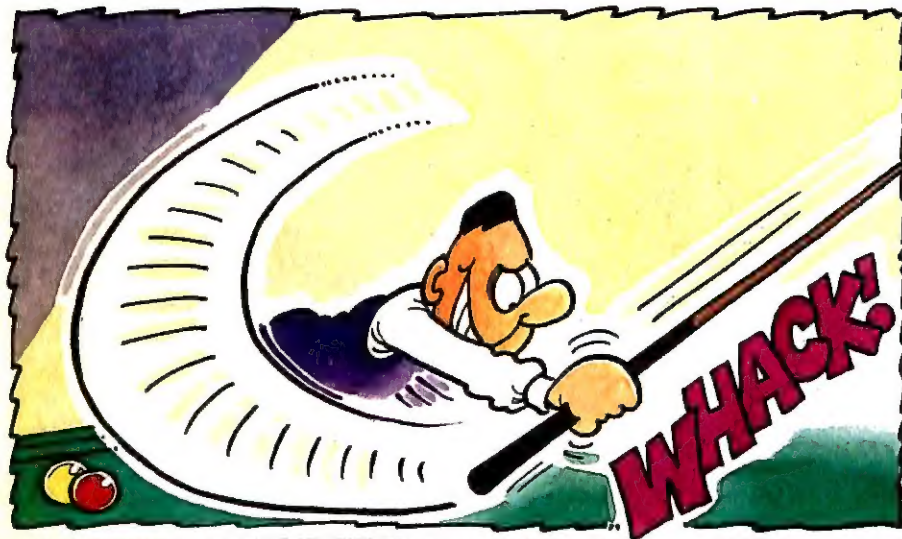
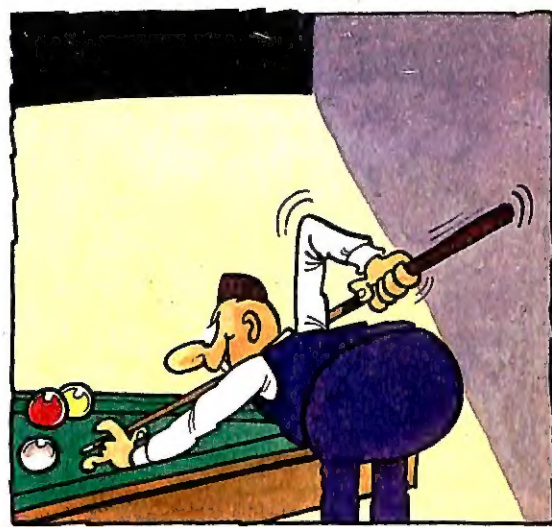
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